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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Robert J. Ross, residing at 3117 Silverton Trail, Madison, WI 53719, having jointly invented with another inventor, **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ON-LINE MONITORING OF LOG SAWING**, Serial Number: 09/197,165, Filing Date: 11/20/98, for which I am making application for Letters Patent of the United States; and,

WHEREAS, the United States patent rights in said invention are assignable to the United States by virtue of my having made the invention while in the employ of the United States Department of Agriculture under applicable law and regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture which render said patent rights so assignable; and

WHEREAS, the United States, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture, is desirous of acquiring an assignment of said patent rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these premises, I hereby assign said patent rights to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture;

I further grant to the Government of the United States a nonexclusive, irrevocable, royalty-free license in any patent which may issue on said invention in any foreign country, including the power to issue sublicenses for use in behalf of the Government and/or in furtherance of the foreign policies of the Government;

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Applicants: Schafer, et al.
Serial Number: 09/197,165
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Art Unit: 3725
Examiner: Not yet assigned
For: **Method and Apparatus for On-Line Monitoring of Log Sawing**

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