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#### ASSIGNMENT OF U.S. PATENTS

This Assignment of U.S. Patents (this "Assignment") is by Richard C. Thompson ("Thompson") for the benefit of Thompson Beverage Acquisition Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Buyer"):

WHEREAS, Thompson owns or has certain rights in and to certain U.S. Patents (collectively, the "Patents") as set forth in Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that certain Asset Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement"), dated as of the date hereof, by and among Thompson, Thompson Beverage Systems, L.P., Thompson Beverage Systems, Inc., Buyer and Suiza Foods Corporation, Buyer's corporate parent, Thompson has agreed to GRANT, SELL, ASSIGN, TRANSFER and CONVEY to Buyer all right, title and interest in and to the Patents;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration pursuant to the Agreement, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Thompson does hereby GRANT, SELL, ASSIGN, TRANSFER and CONVEY to Buyer the entire right, title and interest in and to the Patents, including the right to sue for infringement thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Thompson has caused this Assignment to be duly executed in a manner appropriate thereto as of March  $^{4}$ , 1999.

Richard C. Thompson

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Before me, MINDICENS GARAIDLO, the undersigned Notary Public on this day personally appeared Richard C. Thompson, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 4th day of March, 1999.

Notary Public, State of New York

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### **EXHIBIT A**

### LIST OF CERTAIN PATENTS AND APPLICATIONS

RICHARD THOMPSON						
Docket	SN/PN	U.S. Patent Propert  Title	y Status	Inventor		
23869	Pat. 5,505,325 Issued 04/09/96	Tamper evident dual non-replaceable snap on cap	3.5 Maintenance Fee due 10/09/99	Thompson et al.		
22678	Pat. D353,772 Issued 12/27/94	Beverage container	No maintenance fees on designs	Dunning (Assigned)		

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a recordation of assignment conveyed by Richard C. Thompson to receiving party, Thompson Beverage Acquisition Corporation as referenced above.

Also enclosed is a return postcard.

If you have any questions concerning this recordation, please feel free to contact me at (214) 303-3411. I look forward to receiving confirmation that this matter has been completed.

Sincerely,

Bridget Guffm Jehnstn Bridget Griffin Johnson

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