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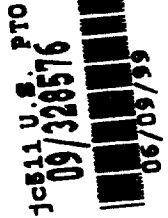
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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 3.31, enclosed herewith is a document for recordal in this case. The following information is provided:

(1) **Name Of Party Conveying The Interest:**

Stefan Deferme

(2) **Name And Address Of Party Receiving The Interest:**

Tenneco Automotive Inc.
500 North Field Drive
Lake Forest, Illinois 60045

(3) **Description Of The Transaction To Be Recorded:**

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☐ Change of Name ☐ Other _____

(4) **Application(s) and/or Patent(s) Against Which Enclosure Is To Be Recorded:**

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct, and if the attached is not an original document, the undersigned verifies that it is a true copy of the original.

If, for some reason, Applicants have not paid a sufficient fee, please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any further fees which may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

Harness, Dickey & Pierce, P.L.C.
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By: 

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Date: June 9, 1999

ASSIGNMENT BY SINGLE INVENTOR

WHEREAS, the undersigned, hereinafter referred to as Assignor, has invented

FULCRUM BLOW OFF VALVE FOR USE IN A SHOCK ABSORBER

for which Assignor is about to make United States application for patent; and

WHEREAS, **TENNECO AUTOMOTIVE INC.**, a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at 500 North Field Drive, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045, hereinafter referred to as Assignee, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Assignor by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto Assignee, its successors in interest, the full and exclusive right in the United States of America and all foreign countries, including the right to claim priority under the laws of the United States and the Paris Convention, to the said invention as described in the specification executed by Assignor of even date preparatory to filing a United States application for patent therefor, said invention and all United States applications for patent and all Letters Patent therefor to be held and enjoyed by Assignee to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent are granted and any extensions thereof as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by Assignor had this assignment and sale not been made; and Assignor hereby covenants and agrees to execute all instruments or documents required or requested for the making and prosecution of United States application for patent and all foreign countries on, for litigation regarding, or for the purpose of protecting title to the said invention, the United States application for patent, or Letters Patent therefor for the benefit of Assignee without further or other compensation than that above set forth; and Assignor hereby requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent of the United States of America to Assignee.



Stefan Deferme

18/5/99

Date

Witness

This document must be executed by the inventor on the same day as he signed the application and his signature must be notarized.