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WHEREAS, I (WE) IACIOFANO, Nicolino

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have invented certain new and useful improvements in: \_\_\_\_\_

Retractable Hose Reel Assemblies

for which an application for Letters Patent was executed on 1<sup>st</sup> June 1999, and

WHEREAS, Hozelock Limited

(hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE") having a place of business at: Waterslade House

Thame Road, Haddenham, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire

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is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries;

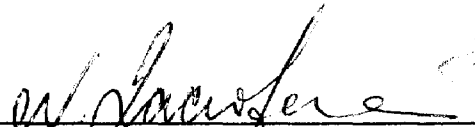
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EXECUTED AT: Aylesbury England

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> June 1999

  
(Signature of Inventor) IACIOFANO, Nicolino

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> June 1999

  
(Signature of Inventor) HILL, Michael Lars George

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