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## ASSIGNMENT

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WHEREAS, I, William Lengenfelter, of Bismarck, North Dakota, have invented certain new and useful improvements as described in an application entitled REAR DUMPING DRAGLINE BUCKET AND RIGGING SYSTEM for Letters Patent of the United States, the application having been executed on August 27, 1999 and/or being identifiable in the United States Patent and Trademark Office by Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_; and

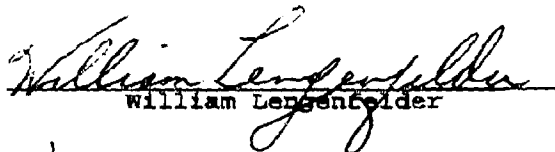
WHEREAS, Don F. Schmidt, having an address of 3000 North 4th Street, Unit 324, Bismarck, ND 58501 ("Assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the application, and any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection, foreign or domestic, to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration including an Agreement between me and Assignee, and between Assignee and Dakota Coal Company, a co-owner, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, I transfer to Assignee, its successors and assigns, my entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the above-identified application, corresponding domestic and foreign applications, all Letters Patent or similar legal protection issuing thereon, and all rights and benefits under any applicable treaty or convention arising under this application and U.S. Provisional application Serial No. 60/098,849, filed September 2, 1998; and I authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States or foreign equivalent thereof to issue the Letters Patent or similar legal protection to the Assignee.

I authorize the Assignee, its successors and assigns, to insert in this instrument the filing date and serial number of the application when ascertained.

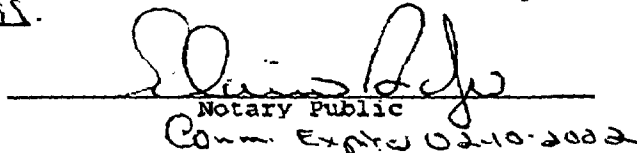
I authorize the Assignee, its successors and assigns, or anyone it may properly designate, to apply for Letters Patent or similar legal protection, in its own name if desired, in any and all foreign countries.

I represent to the Assignee, its successors and assigns, that I have not and shall not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with this Assignment. I, my executors or administrators, will at any time upon request, without additional consideration, but at the expense of the Assignee, its successors and assigns, execute such additional writings and do such additional acts as the Assignee, its successors and assigns, may deem desirable to perfect its enjoyment of this grant, and render all assistance in making application for and obtaining, maintaining, and enforcing the Letters Patent or similar legal protection on the invention in any and all countries.

  
William Lengenfelter

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA )  
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Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 30 day of August, 1999.

  
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