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Melaney Northrop &
Robert Englert

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes No

3. Nature of conveyance:

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Execution Date: September 29, 1998 & October 14, 1998

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Name: Dorskocil Manufacturing Company, Inc.

Internal Address:

Street Address: 4209 Barnett

City Arlington State TX ZIP 76017

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s): N/A

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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

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Kristin Jordan Harkins, Reg. No. 67,859
Name of Person Signing and Reg. No.

Kristin Jordan Harkins
Signature

April 9, 1998
Date

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, the Undersigned have invented certain new and useful improvements as below entitled, for which application for United States Letters Patent is made, said application having been executed on the date set forth below; and

WHEREAS, DOSKOCIL MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC. (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), a Texas Corporation, with an address of 4209 Barnett, Arlington, Texas 76017, desires to acquire our entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, and in and to said application and any Letters Patent that may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Undersigned:

Hereby sell, assign and transfer to Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent, U. S. Serial No. _____, filed _____, and entitled:

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and in and to said application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other applications for Letters Patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of said improvements; and in and to all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on said improvements; and in and to all utility models, industrial models, certificates of invention, and designs on said improvements;

Agree that said Assignee may apply for and receive Letters Patent for said improvements in its own name; and that, when requested, without charge to but at the expense of said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, to carry out in good faith the intent and purpose of this assignment, the Undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other patent applications, and all other like rights of exclusion in any country on any and all said improvements; execute all rightful oaths, declarations, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers; communicate to said Assignee, its successors, assigns and representatives, all facts known to the Undersigned relating to said improvements and the history thereof; and generally do everything possible which said Assignee, its successors, assigns and representatives shall consider desirable for aiding in securing and maintaining proper patent protection for said improvements and vesting title to said improvements and all applications for patents and all patents on said improvements, in said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives; and

Agree that the Undersigned will upon request of Assignee, render prompt assistance and cooperation in the prosecution of legal proceedings involving said improvements, said applications and patents granted thereon, including oppositions, cancellation proceedings, priority contests, public use proceedings and court proceedings, and testify in such proceedings if requested, provided, however, that the expense which may be incurred by the Undersigned in lending such assistance and cooperation be paid by Assignee; and

Covenant with said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by the Undersigned, except as set forth below, and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the Undersigned.

This assignment shall be binding on the heirs and legal representatives of the Undersigned.

Full name of first inventor: Melaney Northrop

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Citizenship: U.S.A.

Date Application Executed: 10/14/98

Date 10/14/98 Signature Melaney Northrop

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF Tarrant §



This 14 day of October, 1998, before me personally appeared the above named Melaney Northrop, to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing instrument, who acknowledged to me that she executed the same of her own free will for the purpose therein set forth.

Sharon K. Morin
Notary Public
My commission expires: October 17, 2000

Full name of second inventor: Robert Englert
Post Office Address: 37 Gordon Parkway
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Citizenship: U.S.A.

Date Application Executed: 9/29/98
Date 9/29/98 Signature Robert Englert

STATE OF NEW YORK §
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This 29th day of September, 1998, before me personally appeared the above named Robert Englert, to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing instrument, who acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein set forth.

Gary E. Ford
Notary Public
My commission expires: 04/08/99

GARY E. FORD
Notary Public in the State of New York
Qualified in Onondaga Co. No. 4877002
My Commission Expires 04/08/99