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**WEI-TANG LAI**

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

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*Vangelis Economou*

**OCTOBER 11, 1999**

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Signature

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Wei-Tang Lai, residing at 1195 West Sturbridge, Hoffman Estates, IL , (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNORS"), have invented certain new and useful improvements in:

MECHANICAL END FACE SEAL RING HAVING A COMPLIANT SEAL FACE

a disclosure of which is contained in an application for Letters Patent of the United States executed by us on even date herewith; and

WHEREAS, JOHN CRANE INC., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, having its principal office and place of business at 6400 West Oakton Street, Morton Grove, IL 60053, USA, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in, to and under said invention, in, to and under the application above identified, and in, to and under any Letters Patent which may issue from said application;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, Be it known that for valuable and legally sufficient consideration, the receipt of which by ASSIGNOR from ASSIGNEE is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS have agreed to and do hereby sell, convey, assign, transfer, and deliver unto ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in, to and under: the above-identified invention; the above-identified application for Letters Patent to be filed therefor; any Letters Patent obtained in respect thereof; any corresponding applications for and Letters Patents therefor in all other areas of the world; and any reissues, extensions,

confirmations, divisions, and continuations of any of the foregoing (hereinafter referred to as "Invention Rights") to have and to hold for the use and benefit of ASSIGNEE forever.

ASSIGNOR hereby covenants and agrees, for himself and for his legal representatives, to assist and co-operate with ASSIGNEE in the preparation and prosecution of any application included within the Invention Rights and in the prosecution or defense of any interference, opposition, or other proceeding that may arise in connection with any applications or Letters Patent included within the Invention Rights and further to have executed and delivered to ASSIGNEE any and all additional papers that may be requested by ASSIGNEE for the purpose of implementing the terms of this Assignment.

ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and empowers ASSIGNEE to invoke and claim for any application or Letters Patents included within the Invention Rights the benefit of any rights to which ASSIGNOR might be entitled under International Law or under the laws of any particular country (such as, without limitation, the rights of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, an amended) and to invoke and claim such rights without further written or oral authorization from ASSIGNOR.

ASSIGNOR hereby consents that a copy of this Assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any assignment, consent to file, or like document that may be required in any particular country for any purpose and, more particularly, as proof of the right of ASSIGNEE to claim the aforesaid benefit of the right of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended.

ASSIGNOR covenants and agrees that this Assignment and all of the terms hereof shall inure to the benefit of the successors, assigns, legal representatives, or nominees of ASSIGNEE, without further written or oral authorization from ASSIGNOR.

ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents of the Patent Office to issue Letters Patents to ASSIGNEE in accordance with the terms of this Assignment.

ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes ASSIGNEE or its legal representatives to insert in this Assignment document the Serial Number and filing date received from the United States Patent Office for the above-identified application.

Serial No : \_\_\_\_\_

Filing Date: \_\_\_\_\_

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, ASSIGNOR has caused this Assignment to be properly executed and delivered as of the date indicated below.

x Wei-Tang Lai (SEAL)

NAME: Wei-Tang Lai

Date: 9/30/99

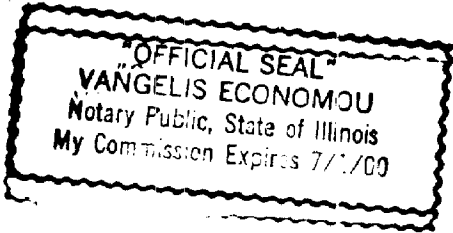
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I, Vangelis Economou, a Notary Public in and for the county and the state aforesaid, do hereby certify that Wei-Tang Lai, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed, and

delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and notarial seal this

30th day of September, 1999.



Vangelis Economou  
Notary Public

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My Commission Expires July 1, 2000