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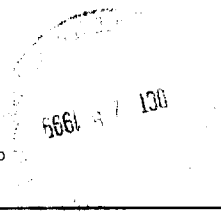
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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies)

CHARLES HURST

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



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

Name: James Neill Holdings Limited

Internal Address: Atlas Way, Atlas North

Sheffield S4 7QQ England

Street Address: same as above

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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A. Patent Application No.(s)

29/110,486

B. Patent No.(s)

September 8, 1999

Additional numbers attached?  Yes  No

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

Name: Richard A. Giangiorgi, Reg. No. 24,284

Internal Address: **TREXLER, BUSHNELL, GIANGIORGI & BLACKSTONE, LTD.**  
**105 West Adams Street**  
**Chicago, IL 60603**

Street Address: same

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Total number of applications and patents involved:

1

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41)..... \$ 40.00

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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.

Linda L. Palomar

Name of Person Signing

Signature

October 20, 1999

Date

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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, I Charles Hurst  
of 5 Suffolk Close, North Anston, Sheffield S25 4EA, England  
have invented certain new and useful improvements in Garden Shears

I have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on the 8th day of September  
1999; and

WHEREAS, James Neill Holdings Limited  
a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of United Kingdom having its principal place  
of business at Atlas Way, Atlas North, Sheffield S4 7QQ, England  
(hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said  
application, and in, to and under all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries that may be granted therefor;


NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One  
Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to me in hand paid by said ASSIGNEE, the receipt of which is hereby  
acknowledged, I, said Charles Hurst  
have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to and unto  
said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, for, within and throughout the United States and the territories thereof, and all  
foreign countries, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in, to and under said application, and all Letters  
Patent of the United States and foreign countries (including all priority rights that I may have or acquire under any International  
Convention or treaty) that may be granted for said invention and improvements, including divisions, reissues, subdivisions,  
continuations and prolongations of such applications and Letters Patent, to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use  
and benefit of said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all of said  
Letters Patents for said invention may issue.

I do hereby covenant and agree, for myself, my heirs and my legal representatives, that I will assist said ASSIGNEE  
in the prosecution of the application herein identified; in the making and prosecution of any other applications for Letters Patent  
that said ASSIGNEE may elect to make covering the invention herein identified, as hereinbefore set forth; in vesting in said  
ASSIGNEE like exclusive title in and to all such other applications and Letters Patent; and in the prosecution of any interference  
which may arise involving said invention, or any application or Letters Patent herein contemplated; and that I will execute and  
deliver to said ASSIGNEE any and all additional papers that may be requested by said ASSIGNEE to fully carry out the terms  
of this assignment.

I do hereby authorize and request our attorneys, Trexler, Bushnell, Giangiorgi & Blackstone, Ltd., of 105 West Adams  
Street, Chicago, Illinois 60603, to insert here in parentheses (Serial No. 29/110,486, filed September 8, 1999)  
the date and serial number of said application when officially known.

And I do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue all Letters Patent of the United States  
that may be granted pursuant to the application aforesaid, or for said invention, to said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns,  
in accordance with this assignment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of AUGUST  
1999.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Charles Hurst

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
  )  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, before me personally came the above named  
to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he executed  
the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

(Notarial Seal)

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