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Re: Recordation of Assignment of Patent Application From  
Douglas J. Gore to Douglas Engineering div. U.S. Hydrex,  
Inc. (File 490P), Serial No. 09/358,835, filed 7/22/99,  
ACCUMULATING AUTOMATIC SKIMMER

Dear Sir:

Please record the enclosed copy of an assignment document. Relevant  
assignment data are as follows:

Assignor: Douglas J. Gore  
43 Shrewsbury Way  
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A United States citizen

Assignee: Douglas Engineering div. U.S. Hydrex Inc.  
1015 Shary Circle, #1  
Concord, California 94518  
A California corporation

This is an assignment of the entire interest of the patent  
application and patent, the assignment document having been executed July  
21, 1999.

Please send all correspondence to Thomas M. Freiburger, 650  
California Street, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Francisco, California 94108.

This is a request for recordation of an assignment of a single  
patent application, and the required fee of \$40 is enclosed.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained  
herein is true and correct, and any copy submitted is a true copy of the  
original document.

Yours very truly,

Thomas M. Freiburger  
Reg. No. 20,063  
Attorney for Douglas Engineering  
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of  
Inventors: **Douglas J. Gore**

For: **Accumulating Automatic Skimmer**

This application was previously filed as Provisional Application No. 60/093,663, on July 22, 1998

Enclosed are:

- [X] Declaration
- [X] Power of Attorney by Assignee
- [X] Small Entity Declaration
- [X] Assignment and recordation request
- [X] 12 sheets of drawings
- [X] ~~31~~ 21 pages specification and claims
- [X] 2 page abstract

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Respectfully submitted,

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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS I, Douglas J. Gore, residing at 43 Shrewsbury Way, Pleasant Hill, California 94523, a citizen of the United States, have invented certain improvements for ACCUMULATING AUTOMATIC SKIMMER, for which application for Letters Patent has been executed of even date herewith; and

WHEREAS, Douglas Engineering div. U.S. Hydrex, Inc., a California corporation doing business at 1015 Shary Circle, #1, Concord, California 94518, is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said improvements and the said application.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, Douglas J. Gore, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said Douglas Engineering div. U.S. Hydrex, Inc., its successors, legal representatives and assigns my entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said improvements, and the said U.S. patent application, a copy of which as filed is contained in File No. 490P in the office of Thomas M. Freiburger, 650 California Street, 25<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Francisco, California 94108, and all Letters Patent of the United States which ultimately may be granted thereon and all applications for Letters Patent which may be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and to all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof, and the right to claim priority under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to

issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said Douglas Engineering div. U.S. Hydrex, Inc., its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with this instrument.

AND I hereby further covenant and agree that I will communicate to the said Douglas Engineering div. U.S. Hydrex, Inc., its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to me, respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, reissue and foreign applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said Douglas Engineering div. U.S. Hydrex, Inc., its successors, legal representatives and assigns to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed and delivered this assignment on the date set forth below.

Date:

2/21/99

Douglas J. Gore  
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