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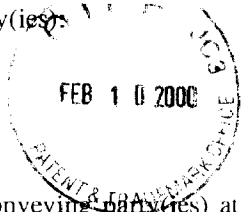
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, the undersigned inventors having our residences as set forth below, have invented a new invention for

FUEL TANK FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE

as described and set forth in the application for United States Letters Patent, U.S. Serial 09/396,718 filed September 15, 1999; and

WHEREAS, Mannesmann VDO AG, (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), a company organized under the laws of Germany, with its principal place of business at Kruppstraße 105, D-60388, Frankfurt am Main Germany, desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, improvements, application and any Letters Patents which may be granted therefor or thereupon, together with any and all divisions, continuations, reissues and extensions thereof in all countries throughout the world;


NOW, THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto Assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, improvements, and into said application and any Letters Patents which may be granted therefor or thereupon, together with any and all divisions, continuations, reissues and extensions thereof, and we authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent which may be granted for or upon said invention or applications, or patents resulting therefrom, insofar as our interest is concerned, unto Assignee in accordance with this Assignment.

We also assign to Assignee, all right, title and interest in and to the invention disclosed in said application throughout the world, including the right to file applications and obtain patents, utility models, industrial models and designs throughout the world, including all rights to publish cautionary notices reserving ownership of said invention and all rights to register said invention in appropriate registries; and we further agree to execute any and all powers of attorney, applications, assignments, declarations, affidavits, and any other papers in connection therewith necessary to perfect such right, title and interest in Assignee.

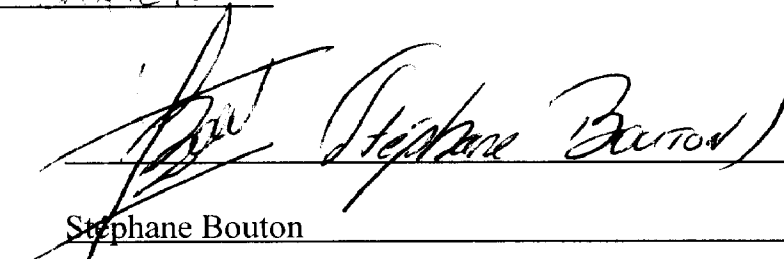
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We covenant that we have the full right to convey the interest assigned by this Assignment, and that we, individually or together, have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict with this Assignment.

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