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1. Conveying Parties: David W. Ewick  
Brendan M. Walsh
2. Receiving Party: The Ensign-Bickford Company  
a Corporation of the State of Connecticut and having its principal place of  
business at 660 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, Connecticut 06070
3. Description of interest conveyed or transaction:  
Assignment of entire right, title and interest  
  
Dates of Execution: October 6, 1999 and October 13, 1999
4. Patent property affected: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/402,868, filed  
October 8, 1999
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Date: Jan 11, 2000

Frederick A. Spaeth  
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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8a)**

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper or payment referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Box Assignment, Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Date: January 17, 2000

Michelle E. Fetzner  
Michelle E. Fetzner

**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, we, David W. Ewick, residing at 21 Stonehedge Way, North Granby, Connecticut 06060; and Brendan M. Walsh, residing at 17 Berkshire Way, Simsbury, Connecticut 06070; (below jointly referred to as "ASSIGNORS") are the inventors of an invention entitled "INITIATOR WITH LOOSELY PACKED IGNITION CHARGE AND METHOD OF ASSEMBLY" for which an international patent application under the Patent Cooperation Treaty was filed on March 31, 1998, Serial Number PCT/US98/06146, designating the U.S., and for which a U.S. national stage application for Letters Patent of the United States was filed on October 8, 1999, Serial Number 09 / 402,868; and

WHEREAS, The Ensign-Bickford Company, (below referred to as "ASSIGNEE") a corporation of the State of Connecticut, having a place of business at 660 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, Connecticut 06070, is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention and the aforesaid patent application describing it;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt, adequacy and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign and transfer to ASSIGNEE the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention, the aforesaid PCT international patent application, said U.S. national stage patent application and any and all foreign national and regional patent applications describing it, including any and all divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, re-examination, reissue and comparable applications based on the aforesaid U.S. application or on any of the aforesaid foreign patent applications, and any and all Letters Patent or comparable rights issuing thereon in the United States and in all foreign countries, together with all rights of priority based on the filing of any of the aforesaid applications arising under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and any and all other international agreements to which the United States of America adheres, and we hereby authorize and request the U.S. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks and officials of any international organization

and any country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents or comparable rights on patent applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent or comparable rights for said invention issuing on any application as aforesaid to ASSIGNEE or to the successors, assigns or legal representatives, if any, of ASSIGNEE.

ASSIGNORS further agree, upon request of ASSIGNEE and without further remuneration, to execute any and all lawful papers and make all rightful declarations and oaths as needed for the filing and prosecution of the aforesaid U.S. and foreign patent applications and granting of Letters Patent or comparable rights thereon, and further to supply to ASSIGNEE all facts and evidence known to them relating to said invention and the history and development thereof, to testify in all interferences, suits, and other legal proceedings, and generally to do everything rightful which ASSIGNEE shall consider desirable for aiding in securing, maintaining, and enforcing proper patent protection for said invention and for the perfecting of title thereto in ASSIGNEE.

ASSIGNORS further covenant that they have the lawful right to assign the interest in said invention in the manner and form as herein expressed and that the interests herein conveyed are free from prior assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other encumbrance whatsoever.

ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request their attorneys, Victor E. Libert (Reg. No. 24,224), Frederick A. Spaeth (Reg. No. 33,793) and Craig W. Barber (Reg. No. 39,102), all of the Law Office of Victor E. Libert, 3 Mill Pond Lane, Simsbury, Connecticut 06070 to insert above the application serial number and filing date of said U.S. national stage application when known.

This assignment is executed by the respective ASSIGNORS on the date or dates indicated below opposite their respective signatures.

Oct. 6, 1999  
Date

David W. Ewick  
Name: David W. Ewick

State of CONNECTICUT

)ss.: SIMSBURY

County of HARTFORD )

On this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1999, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared David W. Ewick, known to me to be the person of whose name is subscribed to this instrument, who executed this instrument in my presence and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

**FREDERICK A. SPAETH**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES NOV. 30, 2002

Frederick A. Spaeth

Notary Public  
My Commission Expires:

October 6, 1999  
Date

Oct 13, 1999  
Date

Brendan M. Walsh  
Name: Brendan M. Walsh

State of CONNECTICUT )

)ss.: SIMSBURY

County of HARTFORD )

On this 13<sup>th</sup> day of OCTOBER, 1999, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Brendan M. Walsh, known to me to be the person of whose name is subscribed to this instrument, who executed this instrument in my presence and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

October 13, 1999  
Date

Frederick A. Spaeth

Notary Public  
My Commission Expires:  
**FREDERICK A. SPAETH**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES NOV. 30, 2002