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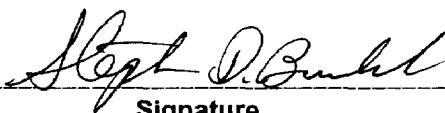
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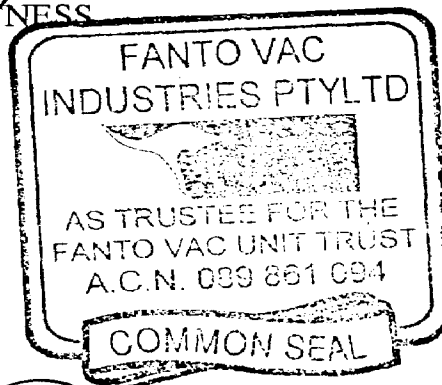
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WE, LORD & COMPANY, Patent and Trade Mark Attorneys of 4 Douro Place, West Perth, Western Australia, 6005, AUSTRALIA, hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the Original Deed of Assignment dated October 1, 1999 between MARIO PEZZANITI and FANTOVAC INDUSTRIES PTY LTD.

DATED THIS 25TH DAY OF JANUARY 2000.