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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

WHEREAS We <u>Bruce McGARIAN</u> and <u>Ronald James BRUCE</u>, of <u>23 East Glebe</u>.

Stonehaven Aberdeen AB3 3HW. Great Britain, and <u>Morven View</u>, <u>Lumphanan</u>. Aberdeen.

AB 31 4QB. Great Britain, respectively, have made a certain new and useful invention as set forth in an application for United States Letters Patent for an invention entitled <u>BRANCH</u>

BOREHOLES, executed by us on <u>27 October 1997 and 26 November 1997</u>, respectively.

Serial No. <u>08/981.649</u>, filed <u>January 8, 1998</u>;

AND WHEREAS <u>Smith International Inc.</u>, of <u>16740 Hardy Street</u>. <u>Houston</u>. <u>Texas</u> <u>77205-0068</u>. <u>USA</u>, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be obtained therefor:

NOW, THEREFORE, for \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration in hand, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto Smith International Inc., its legal representatives, successors, and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention as set forth in the above-mentioned application, and in and to any and all patents of the United States which may be issued for said invention;

We request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued for said invention to said <u>Smith International Inc.</u>, its legal representatives, successors or assigns, as the sole owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to said patent and the invention covered thereby:

We hereby covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned and have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith, and we also agree to execute all papers in connection with the application and any continuing or divisional

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AND we hereby grant the firm of WATSON COLE GRINDLE WATSON, P.L.L.C. the power to insert on this Assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this Assignment.

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