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PATENT

SCHEDULE A**LETTERS PATENT**

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| MICROPROCESSOR CONTROLLED BATTERY CHARGER | 4,710,694 | 12/01/87 |
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| TERMINAL BLOCK | 5,588,880 | 12/31/96 |
| TERMINAL STRUCTURE AND SEAL | 5,273,845 | 12/28/93 |
| COMMON VESSEL SEALED RECHARGEABLE ALKALINE BATTERY | 5,290,640 | 03/01/94 |
| LOW-LOSS CLAMP CIRCUIT | 5,488,554 | 01/30/96 |

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PATENT RELEASE

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Security Agreement of Patents, dated December 1, 1992 by and between **ACME ELECTRIC CORPORATION** ("Debtor") and **HSBC BANK USA**, formerly known as Marine Midland Bank ("Secured Party") as evidenced by a Notice of Security Interest recorded with the United States Patent and Trademark Office at reel 6337 and frame 287 on December 4, 1992, and a Supplemental Notice of Security Interest recorded with the United States Patent and Trademark Office at reel 9097 and frame 0993 on February 23, 1998 and listed as the secured party of the patents and applications and registrations associated therewith set forth on Schedule A attached hereto ("Patents").

NOW THEREFORE, Secured Party does hereby release any and all interests in the Patents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Secured Party has caused this Patent Release to be duly executed by its respective officer thereunto duly authorized as of the 8 day of February, 2000.

HSBC BANK USA

By William H. Graser, VP
William H. Graser, Vice President

STATE OF NEW YORK)
)SS.:
COUNTY OF ERIE)

On the 8 day of February in the year 2000, before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for said state, personally appeared William H. Graser, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

Raymond H. Seitz
Notary Public

RAYMOND H. SEITZ
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Erie County
My Commission Expires 10/31/2000

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