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5-12-2000

Date

ASSIGNMENT

Whereas, I, Howard T. Knox, of 2701 Lockridge Drive, Lawrence 66047, County of Douglas, and State of Kansas, have invented a certain improvement in TIEDOWN HOOK AND RAIL for which I am about to make application for letters patent of the United States; and

Whereas, Kinedyne Corporation, a Delaware corporation, hereinafter referred to as assignee, of 151 Industrial Parkway, P.O. Box 5207, North Branch 08876, County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey, is desirous of acquiring the full and exclusive right in and to said invention and in and to the letters patent to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of one dollar and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, Howard T. Knox, by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer unto said assignee, the full and exclusive right, for the territory of the United States of America and for all foreign countries, in and to the said invention, as described in the specification executed by me on even date herewith preparatory to obtaining letters patent of the United States therefor, the application therefor bearing Serial No. 09/507,641 and filing date February 22, 2000 (authority being hereby given to my patent counsel to insert in this assignment said serial number and filing date); said invention, application, and letters patent to be held and enjoyed by the said assignee for its own use and behoof, and for its successors or assigns, to the full end of the term for which said letters patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by me had this assignment and sale not been made.

I covenant and warrant that at the time of execution of this assignment, I own the full and exclusive right in and to the said invention and the letters patent issuing therefrom; that such full and exclusive right is unencumbered; that no licenses are outstanding; that no agreement exists and that I will not enter into any agreement in conflict with this assignment; and that I am free to assign the full and exclusive right in and to said invention, and

Furthermore, I covenant and agree, in view of the heretofore stated consideration, to execute and deliver to said assignee, its successors or assigns, upon request, any and all papers and to perform any other lawful acts said assignee, its successors or assigns deem necessary for the prosecution of the aforesaid application or in order to accord said assignee, its successors or assigns, the greatest possible measure of patent protection in regard to the rights herein granted, including those necessary for divisional, continuing, substitute, reissue or foreign applications, or for supplemental, substitute, or other oaths.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on this 25 day of JANUARY, 2000.

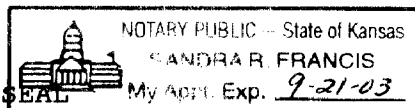
In presence of:

Howard T. Knox  
Howard T. Knox

Joseph Johnson  
Edward Carter

STATE OF KANSAS )  
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On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2000, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared Howard T. Knox, known to me to be the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same freely and for the intents and purposes therein mentioned.



Sandra R. Francis  
(Notary Public)  
My commission expires 9-21-03