



## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Kevin J. Johnson and Norman E. Jolliff, residing at 7955 West Lost River Road, Salem, Indiana 47167 and 4243 East Valley Court, Salem, Indiana 47167, respectively, have invented certain improvements in:

### HYDROSTATIC TRANSMISSION HAVING TWO-PIECE PUMP AND MOTOR BLOCK ASSEMBLY

described and claimed in an application for Letters Patent of The United States of America thereon, said application having Serial No. 09/498,666, filed on February 7, 2000; and


WHEREAS, Tecumseh Products Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan, having its principal place of business at 100 East Patterson Street, Tecumseh, Michigan 49286, is to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and said application for Letters Patent;

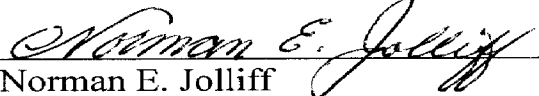
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency whereof is hereby acknowledged, we, Kevin J. Johnson and Norman E. Jolliff, do hereby assign, sell, transfer and set over unto said Tecumseh Products Company, its successors and assigns, the full, entire and exclusive right, title and interest, for the territory of the United States of America and for all foreign countries, in and to said invention, as described in the application identified above, and in and to said application and any divisions or continuations or continuations-in-part thereof or substitutes therefor which may be filed, and in and to any patents or reissues, renewals or extensions thereof which may be granted on said application or for said invention, and in and to any patent application which may be filed on said invention in countries foreign to the United States of America and any patents granted thereon; said invention, applications, and patents to be held and enjoyed by said Tecumseh Products Company, and its successors or assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which said patents may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this assignment not been made.

We hereby authorize and request the Patent and Trademark Office officials in the United States of America and the Patent Office officials of any and all foreign countries to issue any and all of said patents, when granted to said Tecumseh Products Company, as the assignee of our entire right, title and interest in and to the same for the sole use and enjoyment of said Tecumseh Products Company, its successors and assigns.

Further, we agree to execute all papers and to give such lawful testimony and to perform such other lawful acts as said Tecumseh Products Company, its successors and assigns may require to enable it or them to procure a Letters Patent on said invention or reissues or extensions thereof in the United States of America and/or in any foreign country, and/or to hold, enforce or convey said Letters Patent, reissues or extensions.

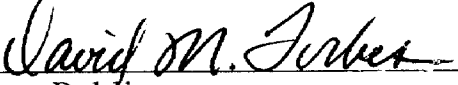
Executed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2000.

  
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Kevin J. Johnson

  
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Norman E. Jolliff

STATE OF INDIANA            )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF WASHINGTON )

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, this day personally appeared Kevin J. Johnson and Norman E. Jolliff, to me well known, who acknowledged the execution of the foregoing instrument as their free act and deed.

  
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Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

County of Residence: WASHINGTON

11-13-2001