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ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION

WHEREAS, I, WILLIAM W. JACOBSEN, of 101 Balleyhoo Drive, Lewisville, North Carolina 27023, have invented certain new and useful improvements for a REEL ASSEMBLY, for which I have made application for Letters Patent of the United States, which application has been duly filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on the March 8, 1999, and assigned United States patent application number 09/264,423;

AND WHEREAS, WOOD COMPOSITE TECHNOLOGIES, INC., a company duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of North Carolina, and having a place of business at 1002 Buck's Industrial Park, Statesville, North Carolina 28625, hereinafter called the "Assignee," desires to acquire all right, title and interest in and to said invention and application within the United States and its territorial possessions and all foreign countries, and any United States or foreign Letters Patent that may be granted therefor.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, including salary or payment for the making of inventions, or employee benefits, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged. and with the intention of being legally bound hereby, I confirm that I have sold, assigned and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer to said Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to my invention and application within the United States of America and its territorial possessions and all foreign countries, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States and all foreign countries that may be granted therefor, including all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, substitutes, reissues, reexaminations, renewals and extensions thereof, and the right to apply for Letters Patent in foreign countries with full benefit of such priorities as may now or hereafter be granted to me by local laws or by treaty, including any international convention for the protection of industrial property, together with the right to extend the protection of said any United States Letters Patent to the various territorial possessions now owned or which may be hereafter acquired by the United States of America, all said rights to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee for its use and benefit and for the use and benefit of 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 and enjoyed by myself if this assignment and sale had not been made. And I do hereby request and authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, U.S.A., and any officials of foreign countries whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all said Letters Patent, when granted, in accordance with the terms of this assignment.

I further covenant and agree with the Assignee that I have a full and unencumbered title to the invention herein assigned, which title I warrant unto the Assignee, and I further agree that, when requested, I will, without demanding any further consideration therefor but at the expense of Assignee, do all lawful and just acts, including the execution and acknowledgment of instruments, that may be or become necessary for obtaining, sustaining or reissuing United States or foreign Letters Patent for the said invention, and for maintaining and perfecting the Assignee's right to said invention and Letters Patent particularly in cases of interference and litigation.

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