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Jeffrey L. Michael, Brian P. Dennis
Theodore E. Hornus, Brett A. Starr
and Michael J. Murphy

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Name: Ausco Products, Inc.
Address: 2245 Pipestone Road
Benton Harbor, Michigan 49023

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes
 No

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, **Jeffrey L. Michael**, of St. Joseph, County of Berrien, and State of Michigan; **Brian P. Dennis**, of Dowagiac, County of Cass and State of Michigan; **Theodore E. Hornus**, of Coloma, County of Berrien, and State of Michigan; **Brett A. Starr**, of Michigan City, County of La Porte, and State of Indiana; and **Michael J. Murphy**, of Stevensville, County of Berrien, and State of Michigan, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a

VEHICLE BRAKE SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Ausco Products, Inc., a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Nevada and having its principal office and place of business at 2245 Pipestone Road, Benton Harbor, Michigan 49023, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in, to and under any application directed thereto and any Letters Patent of the United States or foreign countries which may be obtained therefor:

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

BE IT KNOWN that in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration by us received from Ausco Products, Inc., aforesaid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said Jeffrey L. Michael, Brian P. Dennis, Theodore E. Hornus, Brett A. Starr and Michael J. Murphy, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over unto Ausco Products, Inc., aforesaid, its successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and all foreign countries and in, to and under the application for Letters Patent of the United States therefor, executed by us on the 30th day(s) of May, 2000, and in, to and under any reissue, divisional, continuing or substitute application thereof or any corresponding application filed in a foreign country, and in, to and under any Letters Patent that may be issued for said invention in the United States or in any foreign country; and we do hereby covenant and agree for ourselves and our legal representatives to assist our said assignee in the prosecution of the said application or applications and in any interference or litigation which may arise

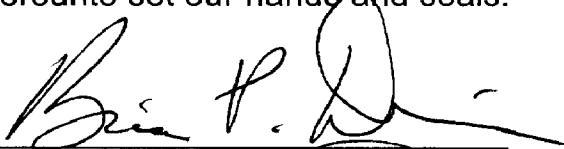
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involving our said invention or the said patent or patents, and to execute any reissue application thereon, or any divisional, continuing, substitute, or foreign application based on or corresponding to the above specifically identified application, as may be requested by our said assignee, and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent of the United States upon the above specifically identified application for said invention to Ausco Products, Inc., aforesaid, as assignee of our entire right, title and interest in and to the same for the sole use and behoof of our assignee, its successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals.



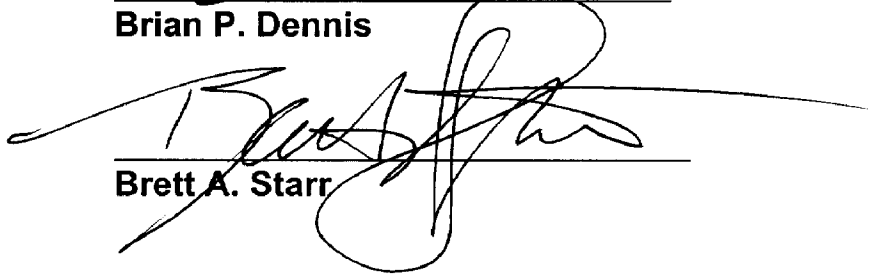
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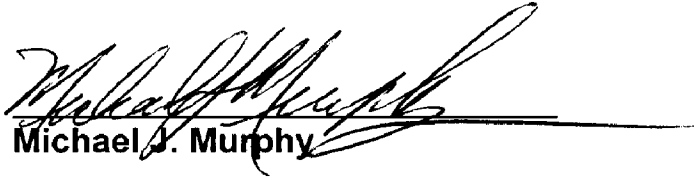
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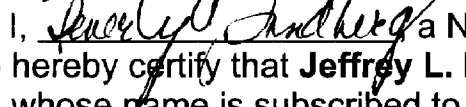


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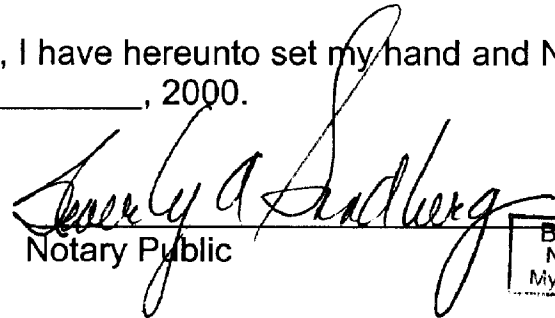
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I,  a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that **Jeffrey L. Michael**, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this 30th day of May, 2000.



Notary Public

BEVERLY A. SANDBERG
Notary Public, Berrien Co., MI
My Comm. Expires Jan. 31, 2000

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Beverly A. Sandberg

I, Beverly A. Sandberg, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that **Brian P. Dennis**, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this 30th day of May, 2000.

Beverly A. Sandberg
Notary Public

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Beverly A. Sandberg

I, Beverly A. Sandberg, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that **Theodore E. Hornus**, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this 30th day of May, 2000.

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I, *Beverly A. Sandberg*, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that **Brett A. Starr**, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this *30th* day of *May*, 2000.

Beverly A. Sandberg
Notary Public

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Notary Public, Berrien Co., MI
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I, *Beverly A. Sandberg*, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that **Michael J. Murphy**, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this *30th* day of *May*, 2000.

Beverly A. Sandberg
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