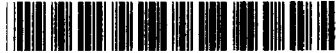


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## ASSIGNMENT

ASSIGNMENT made by **PAUL D. GALLAGHER** of 2175 East Lane, New Berlin, Wisconsin 53146, USA to **HYDRA-SEAL, INC.**, a corporation organized under the laws of Wisconsin, and located and doing business at W153 N5999 Bobolink Avenue, Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin 53051, USA.

IN CONSIDERATION of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, said **PAUL D. GALLAGHER** hereby sells, assigns and transfers to said **HYDRA-SEAL, INC.**, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in:

### **APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR FORMING SEALING RINGS**

and the invention therein as set forth in his application for United States Letters Patent therefor, executed on March 29, 2000 and in and to said application and any divisions or continuations thereof, and any Letters Patent obtained for the said invention in the United States and foreign countries, or issuing out of said application or any such division or continuation thereof, and any reissues or extensions of any such Letters Patent.

The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized and requested to issue Letters Patent for said invention to said **HYDRA-SEAL, INC.**, as assignee of the entire right, title and interest therein.

And, said **PAUL D. GALLAGHER**, hereby covenants that he has full right to convey the entire right, title and interest in said invention, and that he has not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith.

And, he further covenants that he will, at any time, upon request, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title in said **HYDRA-SEAL, INC.**, to said invention or any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor, and that if said **HYDRA-SEAL, INC.**, or its assignee, desires to make a substitute, divisional or continuation application for said invention, or to secure a reissue or extension of said Letters Patent, to file a disclaimer relating thereto, or an application for a corresponding patent in any foreign country, that he will, upon request, sign all papers, make all rightful oaths, and do all lawful acts requisite for the said purpose, but at the expense of said **HYDRA-SEAL, INC.**.

And, he further covenants and acknowledges that the entire beneficial interest in the invention to which the above application relates is irrevocably vested in the assignee including the right to make applications for protection in all countries abroad and to claim priority under the International Convention for such applications and hereby assent to the making of any such applications, with or without priority claim, and of any divisional applications resulting therefrom.

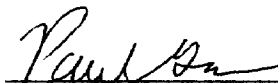
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I hereby authorize the above-mentioned assignee or the attorney of record to insert in this instrument the filing date serial number of my said application:

Serial No.: 09/542,411

Filing Date: April 4, 2000

Executed and delivered this 29th day of March, 2000.

 3-29-00  
Paul D. Gallagher

STATE OF WISCONSIN        )  
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Personally appeared before me this 29th day of MARCH, 2000, PAUL D. GALLAGHER, to me known to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledge that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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Notary Public

My Commission expires 6/10/01