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That WHEREAS I,

Dr. Heike Smetana of Birkenweg 7, D-61476 Kronberg, Germany;

have invented certain improvements in "Hair Treatment Appliance" and have disclosed the same in an application for Letters Patent in the United States therefor, said application having been dated and executed by us concurrently herewith; and

WHEREAS, BRAUN GMBH, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany, and having a place of business at Kronberg, Federal Republic of Germany, hereinafter called BRAUN GMBH, is desirous of acquiring the said application for Letters Patent of the United States, all inventions therein disclosed, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and of all other countries which may be granted for the said inventions, or any of them;

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable considerations to us paid by BRAUN GMBH, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto BRAUN GMBH, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said application for United States Letters Patent, including all priority rights arising therefrom, all inventions therein disclosed, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and of all other countries which may be granted for the said inventions, or any of them.

TO HAVE, HOLD AND ENJOY the said inventions, the said application, and the said Letters Patent to said BRAUN GMBH, its successors and assigns, to its and their own use and behoof to the full end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this assignment and sale not been made.

And we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue any United States Letters Patent which may be granted on the said application, or any divisional, reissue or continuation applications, or for the said inventions or any of them, to said BRAUN GMBH, its successors and assigns, as assignees of the entire right, title and interest therein and thereto.

And we do hereby, for ourselves and for our legal representatives, covenant and agree with BRAUN GMBH, its successors and assigns, that we have granted to others no licence to make, use or sell any of the said inventions, that our right, title and interest in the said

inventions has not been encumbered, that we have good right and title to sell and assign the same, and that we will not execute any instrument in conflict therewith.

And we do hereby, for ourselves and for our legal representatives, further covenant and agree with BRAUN GMBH, its successors and assigns, that upon request we will, and they shall, execute divisional, reissue or continuation applications, amended specifications, or rightful oaths; communicate to BRAUN GMBH, its successors and assigns, any facts known to us relating to the said inventions or the history thereof; execute preliminary statements and testify in any interference proceedings; execute and deliver any application papers, assignments, or other instruments, and do all other acts which, in the opinion of counsel for BRAUN GMBH, may be necessary or convenient to secure the grant of Letters Patent to BRAUN GMBH, its successors and assigns, or its nominees, in the United States and in all other countries where BRAUN GMBH may desire to have the said inventions, or any of them, patented, with drawings, specifications and claims in such form as shall be approved by counsel for BRAUN GMBH, and to vest and confirm in BRAUN GMBH, its successors and assigns, or its nominees, the full and complete legal and equitable title to all such Letters Patent, without further consideration than now paid but at the expense of BRAUN GMBH, its successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and seal at Kronberg,

this 3 day of August, 2000



Dr. Heike Smetana

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