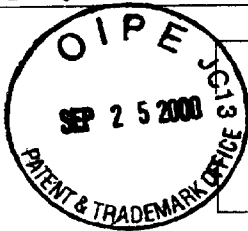


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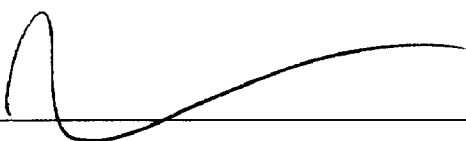
WHEREAS, Porter Case, Inc., a corporation of the State of Indiana, of 3718 W. Western Ave., South Bend, Indiana 46619, is desirous of acquiring my entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention, and in and to Letters Patent of the United States and of any and all foreign countries which may issue therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I have assigned, sold and transferred and to hereby assigns, sell and transfer unto said Porter Case, Inc. all of my right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention and in and to said application and any Letters Patent of the United States and of any and all foreign countries which may issue therefor, including all Letters Patent issuing upon any continuation, divisions, renewal or revival of the aforesaid patent and any reissue patent for the aforesaid invention, the same to be held and enjoyed by Porter Case, Inc. for its own use and behoof, and to the full end of the term of which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me had this assignment and sale not been made.

I hereby promise and agree, upon request, to execute all papers and all assignments necessary for the procurement of the United States and foreign Letters Patent and all assignments necessary to convey the legal title thereof to said Porter Case, Inc. and I hereby further promise and agree to perform all rightful acts that may be necessary and permissible in any interference proceeding or legal action in which said invention, patent application or Letters Patent may become involved, for the purpose of proving the facts relating to my conception, development and completion of the aforesaid invention.

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Gary E. Pond

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Before me the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for St Joseph County, State of Indiana, personally appeared Gary E. Pond and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing instrument this 8th day of September, 2000.

Lisa M. Populski
LISA M. POPIELSKI, Notary Public

(Printed Signature)
Resident of St Joseph County, Indiana
My commission expires: 3-21-2007