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To the Honorable Commissione,

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1. Name of conveying party(ies):
LESZEK SOLOWIEJ

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Name: **MELARD MANUFACTURING CORP.**

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Additional names(s) of conveying party(ies) Yes No

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29/117,361

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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

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Signature

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, LESZEK SOLOWIEJ of Montville, New Jersey, have invented my certain invention entitled TISSUE HOLDER for which I have made application for Letters Patent of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, MELARD MANUFACTURING CORP., a Delaware corporation, having its office and a principal place of business in the City of Passaic, State of New Jersey, desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I, LESZEK SOLOWIEJ, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said corporation, its successors and assigns, all right, title and interest in the United States of America and all foreign countries in and to said invention as described in the patent application executed by me on the 2nd day of December, 1999; (Serial No. 29/117,361 Filed January 21, 2000); to said application; to any Letters Patent issuing thereon and any reissue, division or continuation thereof; to all patents in any country foreign to the United States that may be granted therefor or for the inventions described therein; to any improvements on said invention heretofore or hereafter made while I am in the employ of said corporation; the right to file applications for patent in countries foreign to the United States, under international convention or otherwise, and the right to claim priority based on the first filed application; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue all Patents on said United States applications to said corporation as assignee thereof.

FOR SAID CONSIDERATIONS, I hereby covenant and agree that I am the owner of the full title herein assigned and have the right to assign the same, and agree that I will communicate to said corporation or its representatives, any facts known to me respecting said invention or inventions and testify in any legal proceedings relating thereto when called upon, and will sign all instruments and documents and render such assistance which in the judgment of said corporation is necessary to vest in it and protect the legal title sought to be assigned.

Signed and sealed this 17 day of JULY, 2000.

Leszek Solowiej
LESZEK SOLOWIEJ

State of New Jersey)
County of PASSAIC) ss.

On this 17th day of July, 2000, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared LESZEK SOLOWIEJ to me known to be the same person who executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free act and deed.

Mary J. Gubitosi
Notary Public

**MARY J. GUBITOSI
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES FEB. 11, 2003**