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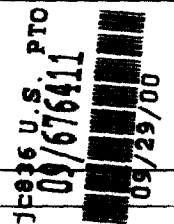
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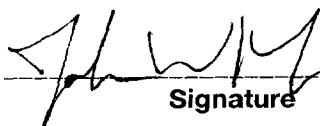
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Date

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Brian D. Kuras, residing at East Peoria, Illinois, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR, has invented a new and useful

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREVENTING HUNTING BETWEEN RANGES IN A CONTINUOUSLY VARIABLE TRANSMISSION

for which ASSIGNOR is about to file an international application and/or make application for Letters Patent in the United States of America, such invention being described and identified by said application having an attached International Application Request and/or an attached Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by ASSIGNOR on 9/29/2000; and

WHEREAS, Caterpillar Inc., a Delaware corporation having a place of business at Peoria, State of Illinois, United States of America, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and any Letters Patent granted thereon by the United States of America and any foreign country;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and for other good and valuable consideration received by ASSIGNOR from ASSIGNEE, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by ASSIGNOR;

1. ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns, transfers and conveys unto ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, any application therefor, and any Letters Patent granted thereon by the United States of America and any foreign country, including any continuing application, reissue or extension thereof, together with the right to file applications and obtain patents for said invention in any foreign country, and covenant that ASSIGNOR has the full right to do so.

2. At the request and expense of ASSIGNEE, ASSIGNOR agrees to communicate to ASSIGNEE any facts known respecting said invention, to execute all papers necessary to file any application on said invention necessary or desirable to aid ASSIGNEE in obtaining and enforcing proper protection for said invention in the United States of America and any foreign country.

3. ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS to issue the United States Letters Patent on said invention, when granted, to Caterpillar Inc.

4. This assignment shall inure to the benefit of ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and other legal representatives, and shall be binding upon ASSIGNOR, ASSIGNOR's heirs and legal representatives.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, ASSIGNOR has executed this instrument.

Brian D. Kuras
BRIAN D. KURAS

Sept. 29, 2000
Date

IN WITNESS OF the execution hereof by BRIAN D. KURAS we have hereunto set our hands.

Uicki L. Matthey 9/29/2000
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