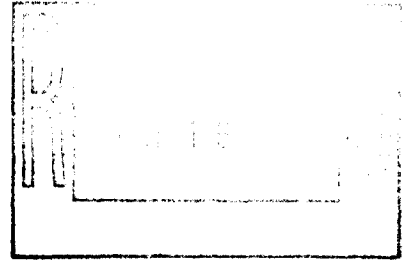


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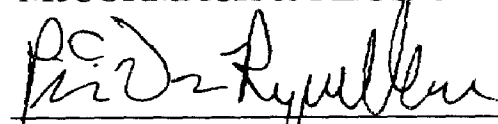
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WHEREAS, Yakima Products, Inc., a California corporation, having its principal place of business in Arcata, county of Humboldt, state of California, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we, Stephen J. Cole and Lyle R. Hilk, have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto Yakima Products, Inc., the full and exclusive right to the invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof.

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Further, we agree that we will communicate to Yakima Products, Inc., or its representatives any facts known to us respecting the invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, substitution, renewal and reissue applications, execute all necessary assignment papers to cause any and all Letters Patent to be issued to Yakima Products, Inc., make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid Yakima Products, Inc., its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for the invention in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

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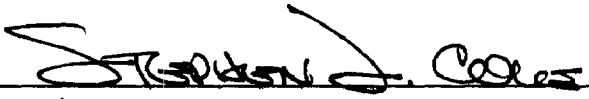
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