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WHEREAS, EDWARD D. HILDRETH, JR. of CLARKSVILLE, in the County of MONTGOMERY and the State of TENNESSEE has invented certain new and useful improvements in DISCHARGE REFRIGERANT HEATER FOR INACTIVE COMPRESSOR LINE for which he has made application for Letters Patent of the United States of America;

AND WHEREAS, American Standard Inc., a corporation of Delaware having a principal place of business in the city of Piscataway, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein and in the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor from the United States;

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal at Clarksville (city), State of Tennessee this 19th day of September A.D. 2000.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

Witnesses

Inventor

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Edward D. Hildreth Jr. [Seal]

State of Tennessee)
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Before me personally appeared said EDWARD D. HILDRETH, JR. and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this 19th day of September, 2000.

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