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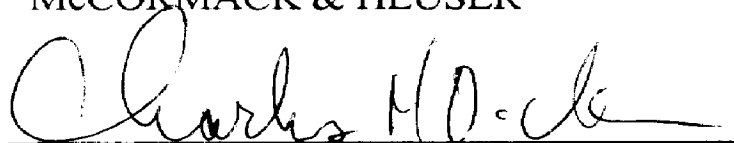
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WHEREAS, I, Takashi Imai, of Gyoda-shi, Japan, have invented certain improvements in COUPLING DEVICE,
for which I have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on the date I executed this Assignment as hereinafter set forth.

WHEREAS, Surpass Industry Co., Ltd., a Japanese corporation, having its principal place of business in Gyoda-shi, Japan, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, I, the said Takashi Imai have sold, assigned, and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer unto the said Surpass Industry Co., Ltd., the full and exclusive right to the said 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.

I hereby authorize and request the Patent Office officials in the United States and any and all foreign countries to issue any and all of said Letters Patent, when granted, to the said Surpass Industry Co., Ltd., as the assignee of my entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use of the said Surpass Industry Co., Ltd., its successors and assigns.

Further, I agree that I will communicate to the said Surpass Industry Co., Ltd., or its representatives any facts known to me respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, substitution, renewal

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 19th day of

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