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**Bruce Trader; George Hofmeister**

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?  Yes  No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):  
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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

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*Charles C. Garvey, Jr.*  
 Signature

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, Bruce Trader and George Hofmeister, are the joint inventors of "Method of Structurally Reinforcing an Assembly of Tubular Members in a Marine Environment", application for United States Letters Patent which is executed of even date herewith;

WHEREAS, Madcon Corporation, a Maryland corporation created and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Maryland, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention throughout the world, and all right, title and interest in, to and under any and all Letters Patent of the United States and all other countries throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid by Madcon Corporation and for other good and valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to Madcon Corporation, all right, title and interest in and to the said invention throughout the world, and said application for U.S. Letters Patent, and any and all divisions, continuations, and reissues thereof, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries which may be granted therefor, the same to be held and enjoyed by Madcon Corporation for its own use and benefit, and for the use and benefit of its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives, to the end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent of the United States or foreign countries are or may be granted or reissued, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made.

And we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent of the

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United States on said invention or resulting from said application and from any and all divisions, continuations, and reissues thereof, to Madcon Corporation, as assignee of our entire interest, and hereby covenant that we have the full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith.

And we further hereby covenant and agree that we will, at any time, upon request, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title of said invention and to such Letters Patent as may be granted therefor, to Madcon Corporation, its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives and that if Madcon Corporation, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives shall desire to file any divisional or continuation applications or to secure a reissue of such Letters Patent, or to file a disclaimer relating thereto, will upon request, sign all papers, make all rightful oaths and do all lawful acts requisite for the filing of such divisional or continuation application or such application for reissue and the procuring thereof, and for the filing of such disclaimer, without further compensation but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, or other legal representatives.

And we do further covenant and agree that we will, at any time upon request, communicate to Madcon Corporation, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, such facts relating to said invention and Letters Patent or the file history thereof as may be known to us, and testify as to the same in any interference or other litigation when requested so to do, without further

compensation but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, or other legal representatives.

EXECUTED THIS 6 day of October, 2000.

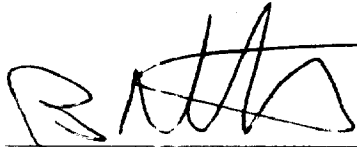
  
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Bruce Trader

Louisiana  
STATE OF ~~Maryland~~  
Parish COUNTY OF Jefferson


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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Bruce Trader, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 6 day of October, 2000.

  
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NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR  
THE STATE OF MARYLAND


EXECUTED THIS 10th day of October, 2000.

  
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George Hofmeister Jr

STATE OF LOUISIANA §  
PARISH OF LAFAYETTE §

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared George Hofmeister, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 10 day of October, 2000.

  
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