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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, William F. Geier, of White Stone, Virginia 22578 (hereinafter "Assignor"), desires to assign all rights, title and interest in U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124 entitled "Attachment Method Of Load Bag In Pickup Truck", in any licenses granted thereunder, in any and all trade secrets relating thereto and in all causes of action that have or may have accrued under U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124, to Saddleman, Inc., a Delaware corporation; and

WHEREAS, Saddleman, Inc. desires to acquire all rights, title and interest in U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124 entitled "Attachment Method Of Load Bag In Pickup Truck", in any licenses granted thereunder, in any and all trade secrets related thereto and in all causes of action that have or may have accrued under U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124 entitled "Attachment Method Of Load Bag In Pickup Truck".

1. **Assignment.** In consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby assigns to Saddleman, Inc., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124 entitled "Attachment Method Of Load Bag In Pickup Truck", in any licenses granted thereunder, in any and all trade secrets related thereto and all causes of action that have or may have accrued under U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124, and the rights to sue for, collect and retain damages predicated on past, present or future infringements of the U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124, and any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, divisionals, reexams, and reissues thereof, and any and all trade secrets relating thereto, as well as all other claims and rights to damages associated with the U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124 and any and all trade secrets relating thereto, whether predicated on past, present or future actions or omissions, and whether or not currently known or unknown.

2. **Further Instruments.** Assignor will execute, acknowledge and deliver to Saddleman, Inc., on demand, such further instruments and documents which relate to the U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124 and any and all trade secrets relating thereto or transfers thereof set forth in this Assignment as Saddleman, Inc. may request from time to time to facilitate registration of any such filings or to record the transfers made in this Assignment in any public office, or otherwise to give notice or evidence of Saddleman, Inc.'s rights to the U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124 any licenses granted thereunder, any and all trade secrets relating thereto and all claims or rights thereunder.

3. **No Retained Rights.** Assignor's assignment of the U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124, any licenses granted thereunder and any and all trade secrets relating thereto to Saddleman, Inc. under this Assignment constitutes a complete, absolute and exclusive transfer of all rights (legal, equitable, use and otherwise) in the U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124 and any and all trade secrets relating thereto, whether currently existing or arising or recognized in the future and the rights to sue for, collect and retain damages predicated on past, present or future infringements thereon. Assignor does not reserve or retain any right, title or interest in the U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124, in any licenses granted thereunder, in any and all trade secrets relating thereto, any component thereof or any trade secrets or know-how which concern the U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124 and any and all trade secrets relating thereto and the rights to sue for, collect and retain damages

predicated on past, present or future infringements thereon. Assignor acknowledges and agrees that the U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124 and any and all trade secrets relating thereto and the rights to sue for, collect and retain damages predicated on past, present or future infringements thereon constitutes the sole and exclusive property of Saddleman, Inc.

4. **Authorization.** Assignor represents and warrants that it has full power and authority: (i) to enter into this Assignment; (ii) to grant to Saddleman, Inc. all rights in and to the U.S. Patent No. 5,620,124, in any license granted thereunder and any and all trade secrets and know-how relating thereto, as well as all rights to sue for, collect and retain damages predicated on past, present or future infringements thereon; and (iii) to perform all of its obligations under this Assignment.

5. **Binding Effect.** This Assignment shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors, heirs, executors and assigns.

6. **Complete Understanding.** This Assignment constitutes the complete understanding between the parties. No alteration or modification of any of this Assignment's provisions shall be valid unless made in a written instrument which all parties sign.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 17 day of ~~October~~<sup>NOV</sup>, \_\_\_\_\_, 2000.

Deborah B. Farey  
WITNESS

William F. Geier  
William F. Geier

STATE OF Va )  
COUNTY OF Lancaster ) SS.

On this 17 day of November, 2000, I, a notary public in and for the county and state aforesaid, received the foregoing document bearing the signature of William F. Geier, to me personally known, and personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, signed and delivered this instrument as his voluntary act.

Deborah B. Farey  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires April 30, 2003