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WHEREAS, WE, DAVID JARDINE, PEDRO COSTA PEREIRA, PHILIPPE ESNAULT, JEAN-CLAUDE GOUTTE and FRANCOIS VIZET, citizens of Great Britain, France, France, France, and France, respectively, whose post office addresses are 26, Rue des Jacobins, F-63000 Clermont-Ferrand, France; 192 bis, Avenue de la Libération, F-63000 Clermont-Ferrand, France; 27, Rue Sidoine Apollinaire, F-63100 Clermont-Ferrand, France; 40, Rue de la Gravière, F-63000 Clermont-Ferrand, France; and Chemin du Buisson, F-63430 Pont-du-Chateau, France, respectively, have made an invention entitled "TIRE WITH IMPROVED ROLLING NOISE PERFORMANCE" as set forth and described in application for Letters Patent of the United States, Serial No. 09/610,395, filed July 5, 2000; and

WHEREAS, MICHELIN RECHERCHE ET TECHNIQUE S.A., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Switzerland and having an office for the transaction of business at Route Louis Braille 10 et 12, CH-1763 Granges-Paccot, Switzerland, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon, and in and to the said application for Letters Patent therefor, and any Letters Patent which may be obtained therefor;

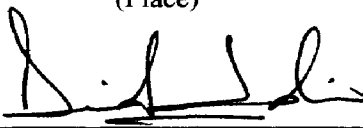
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AND WE, the said DAVID JARDINE, PEDRO COSTA PEREIRA, PHILIPPE ESNAULT, JEAN-CLAUDE GOUTTE and FRANCOIS VIZET, do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the said Letters Patent of the United States to said MICHELIN RECHERCHE ET TECHNIQUE S.A., as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and benefit of said MICHELIN RECHERCHE ET TECHNIQUE S.A., its successors and assigns;

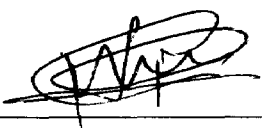
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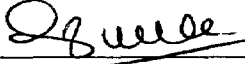
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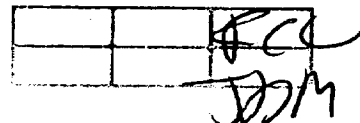
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