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## **ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, Michael C. Dean, an individual, residing at 200 Pruitt Drive, Alpharetta, Georgia 30004, and Daniel P. Brown, an individual, residing at 8310 West 127th Street, Palos Park, Illinois 60464, and Ross Wilson, an individual, residing at 1120 North 35th Road, Utica, Illinois 61373 (hereinafter "Assignors"), have made new and useful inventions and improvements in

### **HANDLE ASSEMBLY FOR BULK FLUID CONTAINERS**

for a full description of which reference is hereby made to an application for Letters Patent of the United States, Serial No. 09/712,534 filed on November 14, 2000;

WHEREAS, Flexible Products Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia, having a place of business at 1881 West Oak Parkway, Marietta GA 30062 (hereinafter "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, to the application above identified, and in, to and under Letters Patent which may be obtained for said invention, and to other applications or patents covering said inventions, as hereinafter more fully set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that, for valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by said Assignors, the Assignors have sold, assigned, and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer unto the said Assignee, the entire right, title and interest for the United States in and to the invention and application hereinabove identified, and any Letters Patent of the United States that may issue for said invention, together with the entire right,

title and interest in and to said invention and applications for Letters Patent and Letters Patent therefor in all countries foreign to the United States, including the right to claim priority under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and other agreements and treaties of like purpose; to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of the said Assignee, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all of said Letters Patent for said invention may issue.

And the Assignors do hereby covenant and agree, for themselves and their legal representatives, that they will assist their said Assignee in the prosecution of any of the applications herein referred to; in the making and prosecution of any other applications for Letters Patent that the said Assignee may elect to make covering the invention herein referred to, including any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application; or any application to reissue any patent referred to herein; in vesting in the said Assignee exclusive title in and to all applications and Letters Patent referred to herein; and in the prosecution of any interference or infringement action which may arise involving said invention or any claim thereto or thereunder, or any application or Letters Patent herein referred to; and he will execute and deliver to the said Assignee any and all additional papers which may be requested by said Assignee to vest title in said Assignee in the United States and in countries foreign thereto, and will otherwise fully carry out the terms of this agreement.

And the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized and requested to issue Letters Patent to the said Assignee in accordance with the terms of this assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the said Assignors have hereunto set their hand and affixed their seals.

Date: 1/4/01

Michael C. Dean  
Michael C. Dean

STATE OF Georgia )  
COUNTY OF Cobb ) SS

I, Leslie L. Sullivan, a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that Michael C. Dean, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this 4th day of January, 2001.

Leslie L. Sullivan  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

Notary Public, Cherokee County, Georgia  
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Date: 01-05-01

Daniel P. Brown  
Daniel P. Brown

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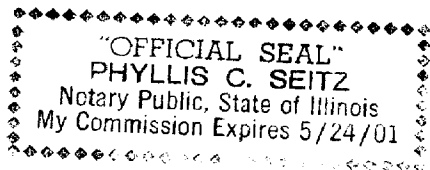
I, PHYLLIS C. SEITZ, a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that Daniel P. Brown, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this 5th day of January, 2001.

Phyllis C. Seitz  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

5/24/01



Date: 1/4/01

Ross Wilson  
Ross Wilson

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
COUNTY OF COOK ) SS

I, PHYLLIS C. SEITZ, a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that Ross Wilson, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal, this 4th day of January, 2001.

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