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Additional names of conveying parties attached? Yes No

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Execution Dates:

1) DECEMBER 13, 2000 4) DECEMBER 27, 2000
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2. Name and address of receiving party:

Name: ORECK HOLDINGS LLC
 Internal Address: C/O CT CORPORATION
SYSTEMS

Street Address: 1720 CAREY AVENUE

City: CHEYENNE State WYOMING
 Zip: 82001

Additional names & addresses attached? Yes No

4. Application number(s) or registration number(s):
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A. Patent Application No(s).
09/675,269, FILED SEPTEMBER 29, 2000

B. Patent No(s).

Additional numbers attached? Yes No

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DALE C. BARR [Signature] Jan. 9, 2001
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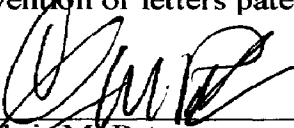
WHEREAS, we, Chris M. Paterson, Shane P. Cohen, Sam Ponjican and Javier Verdura (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS), having post office addresses of 319 East 4th Street, Long Beach, Mississippi, 39560, 4221 Lake Villa Drive, Metairie, LA 70002, 19478 W. Lake Village Drive, Gulfport, Mississippi 39503, and 15 Hawley Avenue, Milford, Connecticut 06460, respectively, are the joint inventors of an invention entitled "APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR SUPPORTING AND SHIELDING FLEXIBLE OUTER BAGS OF VACUUM CLEANERS," as described and claimed in the specification for which an application for United States letters patent was filed on September 29, 2000 and assigned Application No. 09/675,269.

WHEREAS, Oreck Holdings, LLC (hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE), a limited liability company of the State of Delaware having a business address at c/o: CT Corporation Systems, 1720 Carey Avenue, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82001, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and in and to any letters patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exchange for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all letters patent which may be granted for said invention in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries, and in any and all divisions, reissues and continuations thereof, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of ASSIGNEE and to claim priority rights deriving from said United States application to which said foreign applications are entitled by virtue of international convention, treaty or otherwise, said invention, application and all letters patent on said invention to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and its successors and assigns for their use and benefit and of their successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNORS had this assignment, transfer and sale not been made. ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all letters patent on said invention to ASSIGNEE. ASSIGNORS agree to execute all

instruments and documents required for the making and prosecution of applications for United States and foreign letters patent on said invention, for litigation regarding said letters patent, or for the purpose of protecting title to said invention or letters patent therefor.

12-13-00
Date



Chris M. Paterson

State of Mississippi)
County of Harrison)

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I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Chris M. Paterson is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

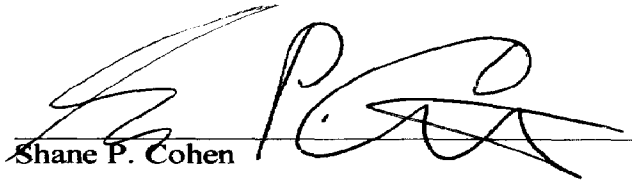
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Signature of Notary Public 

Printed Name VELINA P. PITTMAN

My appointment expires _____
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My Commission Expires: April 8, 2001
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Date 12/13/00

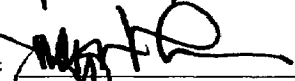
Shane P. Cohen 

State of Louisiana)
Parish of Jefferson)

ss.

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Shane P. Cohen is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated 12/13/00

Signature of Notary Public 

Printed Name JACQUES L. MOLAISSON

My appointment expires UPON DEATH

Date 12-14-00

Sam Ponjican
Sam Ponjican

State of Mississippi)
County of N Harrison)

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I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Sam Ponjican is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that she signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated 12-14-00

Signature of Notary Public Velina Pittman

Printed Name VELINA PITTMAN

My appointment expires Notary Public State of Mississippi At Large
My Commission Expires: April 8, 2001
BONDED THRU HEIDEN-MARCHETTI, INC.

DECEMBER 27, 2000
Date

[Signature]
Javier Verdura

State of CT
County of Fairfield

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I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Javier Verdura is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that she signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated 12/27/2000

Signature of Notary Public [Signature]

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