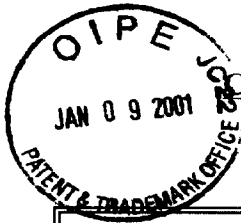


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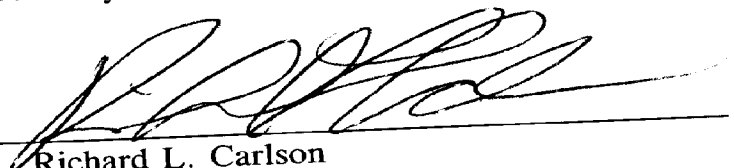
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Respectfully submitted,

By: 
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, the undersigned, hereinafter referred to as Assignor, has invented certain new and useful improvements in **ROTATING CONNECTOR WITH COMPENSATING UNIT** for which Assignor has made United States application for patent under Serial No. **09/647,476**, filed **September 25, 2000** and

WHEREAS, **Den norske stats oljeselskap a.s.**, having a place of business at 4035 Stavanger, Norway hereinafter referred to as Assignee(s), is (are) desirous of acquiring an interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Assignor by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto Assignee, its successors in interest, the full and exclusive right in the United States of America to the said invention as described in the aforesaid application, said application for Letters Patent and all Letters Patent therefor to be held and enjoyed by Assignee to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent are granted and any extensions thereof, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by Assignor had this assignment and sale not been made; and Assignor hereby covenants and agrees to execute all instruments or documents required or requested for the making and prosecution of applications for Letters Patent of the United States of America on, for litigation regarding, or for the purpose of protecting title to the said invention, and the Letters Patent therefor for the benefit of Assignee without further or other compensation than that above set forth; and Assignor hereby requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said United States Letters Patent to Assignee.

Date: 5 Dec. 2000

Jens P. Ødegaard
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