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WHEREAS.

Inventor(s) Name, Address, Citizenship

Date Patent Declaration Signed and Title Serial No. and filing date (if known)

Name of Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation and Address 1. Malcolm DUNCAN residing at Plot 121, Riverside Road, Farmall, 2194, Randburg, Republic of South Africa and a citizen of Republic of South Africa; 2. Kenneth John STEEL residing at Non Pareil, Gazelle Road, 4420 Ballito,

Republic of South Africa and a citizen of Republic of South Africa;

3. <u>Alan Edgar LAATZ</u> residing at <u>107 Maxwell Avenue</u>, <u>Bluff</u>, <u>4052 Durban</u>, <u>Republic of South Africa</u> and a citizen of <u>Republic of South Africa</u>;

(herein called "THE UNDERSIGNED") have made an invention and have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on for this invention, which application is entitled <u>CONNECTING DEVICE</u> and which has been given Serial Number _____ and the filing date of _____;

AND WHEREAS Excalibur Vehicle Accessories (Proprietary) Limited (herein called "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation organized under the laws of Republic of South Africa, and having an office and place of business at 1337 Spyker Crescent, Stormill, Ext. 2, 1724 Roodepoort, Republic of South Africa

wishes to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and patent application and any Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, THE UNDERSIGNED hereby sell, assign and transfer to the ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest for the United States in and to the invention disclosed in the aforesaid application, and in and to the said application, all divisions, continuations, or renewals thereof, all Letters Patent which may be granted therefrom, and all reissues or extensions of such patents, and THE UNDERSIGNED hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all United States Letters Patent for the aforesaid invention to the ASSIGNEE of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the use of the ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns.

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Signature Kenneth John Steel

Signature Kenneth John Steel

Signature Alan Edgar Laatz

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