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(hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR), have invented and own a certain invention entitled:  
Title of Invention **AXIAL BEARING FOR TOOTHED WHEELS**  
for which application for Letters Patent of the United States has been executed on even date herewith

AND WHEREAS: **ZF FRIEDRICHSHAFEN AG**  
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