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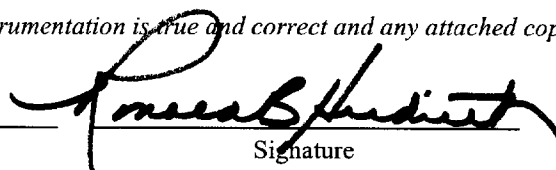
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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, WE, KLAUS-DIETER MORSCH, KLAUS FRIEDEWALD, PETER PFEIFFER, ARNOLD ENBLLEN, ANDREAS WEIß and UWE HOFFMAN, residing at Falkenbergstr. 10, D-38124 Braunschweig, Mühlenring 29, D-38104 Braunschweig, Auf der Ohe 22, D-38165 Lehre-Wendhausen, Zum Rotstücken 10, D-38446 Wolfsburg, Remscheider Str. 1, D-38440 Wolfsburg and Rubezahlgasse 3a, D-38165 Flechtorf, respectively, Germany have made an invention entitled, "FRONT PILLAR ARRANGEMENT FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE BODY FRAME".

WHEREAS, VOLKSWAGEN AG, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Germany, and having an office for the transaction of business at D-38436 Wolfsburg, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon, and in and to the said application for Letters Patent therefor, and any Letters Patent which may be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that WE, the said, KLAUS-DIETER MORSCH, KLAUS FRIEDEWALD, PETER PFEIFFER, ARNOLD ENBLLEN, ANDREAS WEIß and UWE HOFFMAN, for valuable considerations unto us moving from said VOLKSWAGEN AG, at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said VOLKSWAGEN AG, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention entitled, "FRONT PILLAR ARRANGEMENT FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE BODY FRAME", executed concurrently herewith, and any and all improvements thereon, and in and to said application and any division, continuation or continuation-in-part thereof, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued on any of said applications, and any reissues thereof, and in and to any and all applications for Letters Patent filed in foreign countries for said invention or improvements including all priority rights, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted in foreign countries therefor, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAME to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all said Letters Patent may be granted;

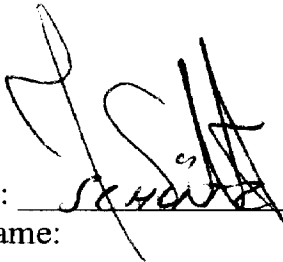
AND WE, the said KLAUS-DIETER MORSCH, KLAUS FRIEDEWALD, PETER PFEIFFER, ARNOLD ENBLLEN, ANDREAS WEIß and UWE HOFFMAN, do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the said Letters Patent of the United States to said VOLKSWAGEN AG, as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and benefit of said VOLKSWAGEN AG, its successors and assigns;

AND WE, the said, KLAUS-DIETER MORSCH, KLAUS FRIEDEWALD, PETER PFEIFFER, ARNOLD ENBLLEN, ANDREAS WEIß and UWE HOFFMAN, for the considerations aforesaid, do hereby covenant and agree to and with said VOLKSWAGEN AG, its successors and assigns, that we have the full power to make this assignment, and that the rights assigned are not encumbered by any grant, license or right heretofore given, and that we, our executors or

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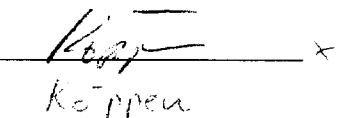
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