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PATENT ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, the undersigned, **George Alan Price**, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 1626 Deer Run Road, City of Lawrenceville, and State of Georgia, (hereinafter referred to as "Assignor") has invented certain inventions and improvements disclosed in an application for Letters Patent entitled **Proportional Flow Control Valve**, which application is about to be filed in the United States Patent and Trademark;

WHEREAS, **ECP Family Properties**, a Corporation of the State of Georgia, having its principal place of business at 401 Industrial Park Drive, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30045, is desirous of acquiring an interest in the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto **ECP Family Properties**, the full, exclusive and entire right, title and interest: (i) in and to all inventions and improvements disclosed and described in said application, (ii) in and to said application, (iii) in and to any divisional, continuation, and continuation-in-part applications describing in whole or in part the said inventions and improvements, preparatory to obtaining Patents of the United States therefor, (iv) in and to any reissues of the aforementioned, (v) in and to any provisional patent applications filed in the United States describing in whole or in part the said inventions and improvements, from which priority may be claimed under Title 35 of the United States Code, and (vi) in and to the right to claim any applicable foreign and domestic priority rights arising from such provisional patent applications; and Assignor do hereby request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Patents of the United States resulting from said application, or from a division, continuation, continuation-in-part, or reissue thereof, to **ECP Family Properties** as Assignee, for its interest and for the sole use and behoof of **ECP Family Properties** and its assigns and legal representatives;

For the same consideration, Assignor by these presence do sell, assign and transfer to **ECP Family Properties** the full, exclusive and entire right, title and interest in and to any foreign application or applications corresponding to said application, in whole or in part, in countries other than the United States, in and to any Patents and similar protective rights granted on said foreign application, and in and to the right to claim any applicable priority rights arising from or required for said foreign application under the terms of any applicable conventions,

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AND, for the same consideration, Assignor do hereby agree to sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, reissue and other applications, make all assignments and rightful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid **ECP Family Properties** its successors, assigns, and nominees, to obtain and enforce proper protection for all said inventions and improvements in all countries throughout the world.

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