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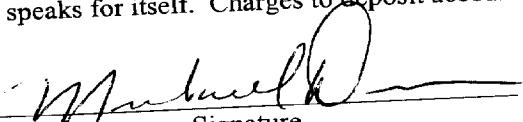
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**ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION**

WHEREAS, we, JOHN J. HALFTOWN, MARK D. VAN DER BLEEK and MICHAEL VERELLEN residing at 2408 W. US Hwy 136, Covington, IN 47932; 201 E. Attica, Rossville, IL 60963; and Steenweg op liehtaart 78, 2275 Poederlee, Belgium, respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvements in:

**LOW DP FOOD CASING FROM HIGH SOLIDS VISCOSE**

for which we have made application for Letters Patent in the United States as U.S. Serial No. 09/723,681, filed November 28, 2000;

AND WHEREAS, TEEPAK INVESTMENTS, INC., 1011 Warrenville Road, Suite 255, Lisle, IL 60532, a corporation of the State of Delaware, is desirous of acquiring all interest in said invention, said application disclosing the invention and any Letters Patent which may be granted therefor:

NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH, that for the sum of One Dollar, and other valuable consideration to us in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we hereby assign, sell and transfer unto said TEEPAK INVESTMENTS, INC. the entire right, title and interest in said invention, said application, including any divisions and continuations thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States, and countries foreign thereto, which may be granted for said invention, and in and to any and all priority rights, Convention rights, and other benefits accruing or to accrue to us with respect to the filing of applications for patents or securing of patents in the United States and countries foreign thereto;

And we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said United States Letters Patent to said TEEPAK INVESTMENTS, INC., as the Assignee of our whole right, title and interest thereto;

And we further agree to execute all necessary and lawful future documents, including assignments in favor of TEEPAK INVESTMENTS, INC., or its designee as TEEPAK INVESTMENTS, INC. or its Assignee may from time-to-time present to us in order to perfect title in said invention, modifications, and improvements in said invention, applications and Letters Patent of the United States and countries foreign thereto;

And we further agree to sign and properly execute such necessary and lawful papers for application for foreign patents, for filing subdivisions of said application for patent, and/or, for obtaining any reissue or reissues of any Letters Patent which may be granted for our aforesaid invention, as the Assignee thereof shall hereafter require and prepare at its own expense.

WITNESS, my hand and seal this 6<sup>th</sup> day of MARCH, 2001.

WITNESS:

[Signature]

John J. Halftown  
John J. Halftown

WITNESS:

Jayna Jander  
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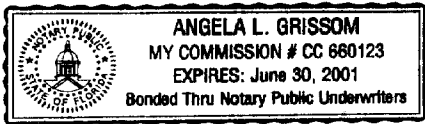
John J. Halftown

SS:

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On this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of 2001, before me, the subscriber, personally appeared John J. Halftown to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and who acknowledged that he executed the same.

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Angela L. Grissom  
Notary Public

WITNESS, my hand and seal this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2001.

WITNESS:

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Mark D. van der Bleek  
Mark D. van der Bleek

WITNESS:

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STATE OF Illinois

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On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February in the year of 2001, before me, the subscriber, personally appeared Mark D. van der Bleek to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and who acknowledged that he executed the same.

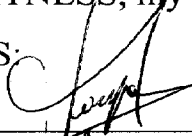
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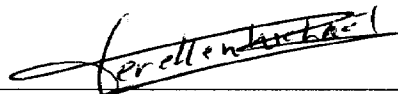


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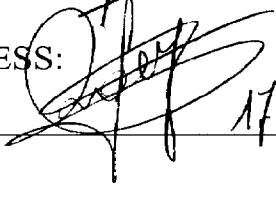
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