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Name: **Hunter Douglas Inc.**

Internal Address: _____

Street Address: **2 Park Way**City: **Upper Saddle River** State: **NJ** ZIP: **07458**Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ NoAdditional names(s) of conveying party(ies) ☐ Yes ☒ No

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Name: **Gary M. Polumbus**Internal Address: **Dorsey & Whitney LLP**Street Address: **370 Seventeenth Street****Suite 4700**City: **Denver** State: **CO** ZIP: **80202**6. Total number of applications and patents involved: **1**7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41):.....\$ **40.00**☒ Enclosed - Any excess or insufficiency should be credited or debited to deposit account☐ Authorized to be charged to deposit account

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Joint US Inventors**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS we, Richard N. Anderson, Donald E. Fraser, and Everett S. Coleman (the "Inventors"), residing respectively at 9885 Melba Lane, Whitesville, KY 42378, 1836 Fawn Creek Drive, Owensboro, KY, 42303, and 6576 Hwy. 144, Owensboro, KY 42303 are the joint inventors of an invention in *Fiber Optic Cable, Signal-Receiving System*, for which invention a US patent application with serial number 09/481746 was filed on 11 January, 2000, and we are entitled to assign our entire right, title and interest world-wide in and to the invention and any intellectual property protection for the invention, including the US patent application and any Canadian patent application therefor; and

WHEREAS Hunter Douglas Inc. (the "Company"), having a place of business at 2 Park Way, Upper Saddle River, New Jersey 07458 USA, is desirous of obtaining our entire right, title and interest world-wide in and to the invention and any intellectual property protection for the invention, including the US patent application and any Canadian patent application therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of one Dollar (USD 1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is acknowledged, we hereby sell, assign and transfer to the Company, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, our entire right, title and interest world-wide in and to the invention and all applications for industrial property protection, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models and designs, whether original, divisional, continuation, renewal, reissue, or the like, now on file or subsequently filed, for the invention world-wide, together with the right to file such applications and the right to claim for such applications the priority rights derived from the US patent application under any national or international intellectual property laws or agreements and any industrial property protection including, without limitation, patents, utility models and designs, now or hereafter granted, for the invention world-wide, and any extensions, renewals, reissues or the like thereof.

FURTHER we hereby authorize and request any official of any state, responsible for issuing patents or other evidence or forms of any industrial property protection, to issue the same for the invention to the Company, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with this assignment.

ALSO we hereby agree that we have the full right to convey our entire, right, title and interest in and to the invention world-wide and all applications for industrial property protection for the invention world-wide and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict with this assignment.

MOREOVER we hereby agree that we will communicate to the Company, its successors, legal representatives and assigns any facts known to us respecting the invention and testify in any legal proceeding, sign any lawful papers, execute any original, divisional, continuation and reissue applications, make any rightful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid the Company, its successors, legal representatives and assigns to obtain and enforce proper protection for the invention world-wide.

FURTHER we hereby agree that this assignment is to be considered effective as of the filing date of the US patent application and we hereby authorize the Company, its successors and assigns, or anyone it may properly designate, to insert in this instrument the serial number of the US patent application.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands the day, month and year opposite our signatures below.

3/6/01
(Date)


(Inventor : Signature and Name)
Richard N. Anderson

TODAY BEFORE ME, a Notary Public in and for the place stated below, personally appeared **Richard N. Anderson**, to me known and known to me to be the Inventors named above, who signed this assignment and acknowledged it to be their free act and deed.

3-27-01
(Date)

July 9, 2002
(Commission Expiry Date)

Whiteville, Kentucky
(Place)


(Notary Public : Signature and Name)

March 27, 2001
(Date)

Donald E. Fraser
(Inventor : Signature and Name)
Donald E. Fraser

TODAY BEFORE ME, a Notary Public in and for the place stated below, personally appeared **Donald E. Fraser**, to me known and known to me to be the Inventors named above, who signed this assignment and acknowledged it to be their free act and deed.

3-27-01
(Date)

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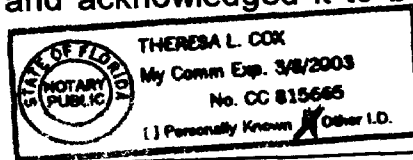
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Everett S. Coleman
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TODAY BEFORE ME, a Notary Public in and for the place stated below, personally appeared **Everett S. Coleman**, to me known and known to me to be the Inventors named above, who signed this assignment and acknowledged it to be their free act and deed.

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Theresa L. Cox
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(Place)

THE COMPANY hereby acknowledges the previous statements of the Inventors and accepts their assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Company, by its undersigned Director, sets its hand the day, month and year opposite its signature.

4/11/01
(Date)

New Jersey
(Place)

Geoffrey Rowan
(Director of Company : Signature and Name)

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