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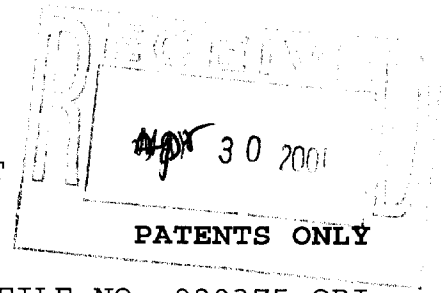
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ASSIGNMENT

Whereas, I, Richard A. Davis, of 7025 James Avenue South, Richfield, Minnesota 55423, am a joint inventor along with LeRoy A. Prohowsky, and have invented certain new and useful improvements in a **Rain Water Diverter System for Deck Structures**, for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States has been made, including a provisional application having been filed on August 3, 1998, and which may be identified in the United States Patent Office by Serial No. 60/095,147, and a nonprovisional application which may be identified in the Patent Office by Serial No. 09/365,794, filed August 3, 1999.

Whereas, Arnold & James, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota, and having its principal offices at 3530 East 28th Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55408, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

Now, therefore, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to me in hand paid by Arnold & James, Inc., including stock, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto Arnold & James, Inc., its successors and assigns, my entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application, all divisions, continuations or renewals thereof, and the Letters Patent, both foreign and domestic, that may or shall issue therefrom, including all reissues or extensions of such patents and all of my rights under the International Convention, and I do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to the above-mentioned assignee in accordance herewith.

I hereby authorize the above-mentioned assignee, its successors and assigns, or anyone it may properly designate, to insert in this instrument the filing date and serial number of said application when ascertained.


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Upon said consideration I do hereby covenant and agree with the said assignee, its successors and assigns, that I will not execute in writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that I or my executors or administrators will at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the said assignee, its successors and assigns, execute such additional writings and do such additional acts as said assignee, its successors and assigns, may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, divisional, reissued or extended Letters Patent of the United States, or of any and all foreign countries on said invention, and in enforcing any rights occurring as a result of such

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal.

Date: 6/8/00

Signed: 
Richard A. Davis

Subscribed to and sworn to before me
this ____ day of _____, 2000.

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Seen for authentication of the above signature, affixed in our
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