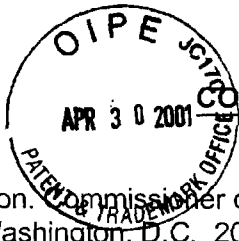


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Sir:

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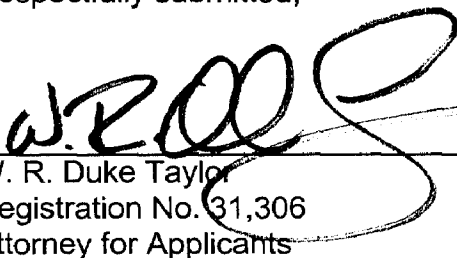
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Respectfully submitted,

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**ASSIGNMENT**

For valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged

we, Robert H. Gifford  
 of 15 Barelyn Drive, New Freedom, Pennsylvania 17349  
 and Richard J. Heavel  
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 and Alfred H. Judge  
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 and Thomas T. Bludis  
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do hereby sell and assign to BLACK & DECKER INC., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, U.S.A., having its principal place of business at 1423 Kirkwood Highway, Newark, Delaware, U.S.A., its successors, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the IMPROVEMENTS IN:

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invented by us and for which we have made application for U.S. Letters Patent under Serial No. 09/782,812 filed February 14, 2001, and all original and reissued patents granted therefor, and all divisions and continuations thereof, including the subject matter of any and all claims which may be obtained in every such patent, and the right to apply for and obtain patents, Utility Model Registrations, and Inventor's Certificates in countries foreign to the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent, Utility Model Registration, or Inventor's Certificate which may be granted thereon in such foreign countries, including all priority rights under the International Convention associated therewith for each country of the Union, and authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and any official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue the said Letters Patent, Utility Model Registration, or Inventor's Certificate to the said BLACK & DECKER INC., its successors, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives, as assignee of the entire interest, and covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned and that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith, and agree that we will communicate to said Corporation,

its successors, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives, all facts known to us respecting said invention, whenever requested, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths, and do all lawful acts requisite for the application for such divisional, continuing, or reissue applications, or the procuring thereof, and that if and when said BLACK & DECKER INC., its successors, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives desire to file a disclaimer relating thereto, we will, upon request, sign all lawful papers requisite for the filing of such disclaimer, and we further covenant and agree that we will, at any time upon request, do everything legally possible to aid said Corporation, its successors, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives, either in its or their own name, to apply for, obtain, and enforce patent, Utility Model, and/or Inventor's Certificate protection for said improvements in all countries, all without further consideration but at the expense of said BLACK & DECKER INC., its successors, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives.

Witnessed by:

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