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and for other valuable and sufficient consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I hereby sell, assign and convey, unto Assignee, its successors and assigns, my entire right, title and interest -

(1) in and to an invention entitled "NON-SLAMMING CHECK VALVE" for which I have executed a United States patent application Serial No. 09/707,771, filed November 8, 2000; ^{WAS EXECUTED ON MY BEHALF} ~~Serial No. 09/707,771~~ [✓] *ATTY. DOCKET NO. 040828 / 0248;*

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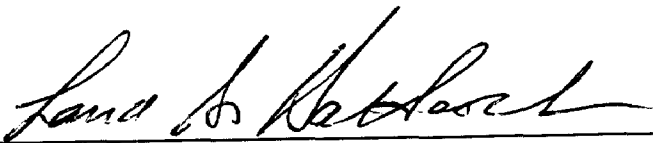
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