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A. Patent Application No.(s)  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>09/813,554</b></p>	B. Patent No.(s)  Additional numbers attached? No
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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:  Peter J. Manghera FOLEY & LARDNER 150 East Gilman Street Post Office Box 1497 Madison, WI 53701-1497 (608) 258-4265	6. Total number of applications and patents involved: <u>1</u>  7. Total fee (37 C.F.R. § 3.41). . . . . \$ <u>40.00</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <b>LOE</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Authorized to be charged to deposit account  8. Deposit account number: 06-1447
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<u>Peter J. Manghera</u> Name of Person Signing	 Signature	<u>May 15, 2001</u> Date
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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Robert C. Winkley (hereinafter "ASSIGNOR") has invented a SNIPPER KNIFE ASSEMBLY HOLDER, for which application is being made for Letters Patent in the United States, said application being executed by ASSIGNOR on March 20, 2001 ; and

WHEREAS, Hughes Company, Inc. (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, and having its principal office in Columbus, Wisconsin, is desirous of acquiring an interest in the application;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which by ASSIGNOR from ASSIGNEE is hereby acknowledged, said ASSIGNOR, by these presents, does hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto ASSIGNEE the full and exclusive right, title, and interest for the territory of the United States of America, its territories and possessions, and for all foreign countries, in and to the invention as described in the above application and in and to the patent application. The invention, application, and Letters Patent are to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE for its own use, and by its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term for which Letters Patents may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by ASSIGNOR had this Assignment and sale not been made.

ASSIGNOR does further hereby agree to provide all reasonable aid to ASSIGNEE in the making and prosecuting of any application for other Letters Patent that ASSIGNEE may wish to make covering the invention claimed in the application and in vesting in ASSIGNEE like exclusive right, title, and interest in and to all such other applications and resulting Letters Patent in similar proportion. ASSIGNOR hereby agrees that ASSIGNOR will

similarly aid ASSIGNEE in the prosecution of any interference that may arise involving any application for Letters Patent herein contemplated and that ASSIGNOR will execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE any and all additional papers that may be reasonably requested by ASSIGNEE to fully carry out the terms of this Assignment.

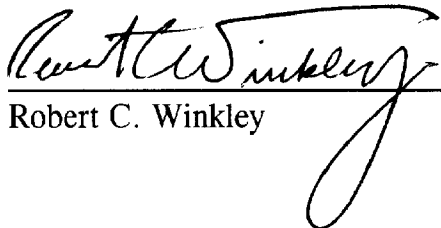
ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes the ASSIGNEE or the attorney of record in the application to insert below the filing date and serial number of the application when that information is known:

Serial No.: 09/813,554

Filing Date: March 21, 2001

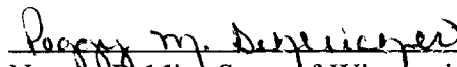
Executed this 20 day of March, 2001.

ASSIGNOR:

 (SEAL)  
Robert C. Winkley

STATE OF WISCONSIN )  
 ) ss.  
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Before me personally appeared Robert C. Winkley, to me known to be the person identified as ASSIGNOR in the above Assignment, who signed the foregoing instrument in my presence and made oath before me to the allegations set forth therein as being under oath on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2001.

  
Notary Public, State of Wisconsin  
My commission: April 28, 2002