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# ASSIGNMENT

**WHEREAS, J. Mark Morrow of Camden, South Carolina**

hereinafter (collectively) referred to as the Assignor, have invented certain new and useful improvements in TRI-CLOSURE DISPENSING TOP for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States naming Michael R. Schmit, James F. Kick and J. Mark Morrow as joint inventors has been prepared,

- [ ] the Declaration for said application executed on even date herewith;  
 [X] said application having been filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 1, 2000 and accorded Serial Number 09/726,330, and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable);  
 [ ] said application having been filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty on \_\_\_\_\_ and accorded Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, the United States of America being designated;

**WHEREAS, Sonoco Products Company**  
North Second Street  
Hartsville, SC 29550

hereinafter referred to as the Assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest of J. Mark Morrow in and to the aforesaid invention and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States or any foreign country which may be granted therefor;

**NOW THEREFORE**, for good and valuable consideration the Assignor by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer unto the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the full and exclusive right to the invention as described in said application, and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof;

**AND** said Assignor authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks or any other proper officer or agency of any country to issue all said Letters Patent to said Assignee;

**AND** said Assignor warrant and covenant that I/We have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned and that I/We have not executed and will not execute any instrument or assignment in conflict herewith;

**AND** said Assignor agree to communicate to said Assignee or its representatives any facts known to me/us respecting said invention, to execute all divisional, continuation, reissue and foreign applications, sign all lawful documents and make all rightful oaths relating to said invention, and to testify in any judicial or administrative proceeding and generally do everything possible to aid the said Assignee to obtain and enforce said Letters Patent in the United States or any foreign country when requested so to do by said Assignee.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I/We have hereunto set my/our hand and seal.

Date: May 11, 2001

Signature: J. Mark Morrow  
 Name: J. Mark Morrow

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On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2001, before me a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, personally appeared J. Mark Morrow, known to me known and known to me to be the person of that name who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his/her free act and deed.

Francis G. Daniel  
 Notary Public for  
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