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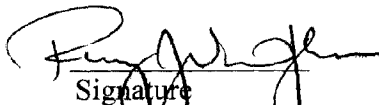
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# ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, 1) Ernst W. Steudle and 2) Robert Lamey residing at 1) 15816 Millar Road, Clinton Township, MI 48036 and 2) 20014 Myron Drive, Livonia, MI 48152, have invented certain improvements in Method and Apparatus to Uncoil and Dekink Coiled Material for which we have executed an application for United States Patent;

AND, WHEREAS U.S. Properties, Inc., a corporation of Michigan, having an office at 17730 14 Mile Road, Fraser, MI 48026, (herein called U.S. Properties, Inc.) has previously acquired the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements pursuant to and in compliance with the provisions of our employee patent agreements heretofore executed by us and desires to confirm said acquisition;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to and in compliance with the provisions of said employee patent agreements, by these presents we do formally assign and transfer unto U.S. Properties, Inc. the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements, as described in said application, including patentable subject matter disclosed in said application, and in and to all patentable and future domestic and foreign applications and patents therefor, including any and all reissues, divisions and continuations thereof, and we agree to sign all papers and perform all acts, without any further consideration, as U.S. Properties, Inc. may deem necessary to make this assignment fully effective, including the execution of reissue, divisional and continuing domestic applications and of foreign applications; and we hereby request the Commissioner of Patents to issue all Letters Patent granted on said applications to U.S. Properties, Inc. as the assignee, for the sole use and behalf of U.S. Properties, Inc. and its legal representatives and assigns, and we hereby authorize our attorney, Remy J. VanOphem, PTO Reg. 27053, to insert on this Assignment the filing date and serial number of said application when known.

Except as set forth herein and in said employee patent agreements, there are no other agreements or understandings, express or implied, between U.S. Properties, Inc. or its direct or indirect subsidiaries and ourselves with respect to said improvements.

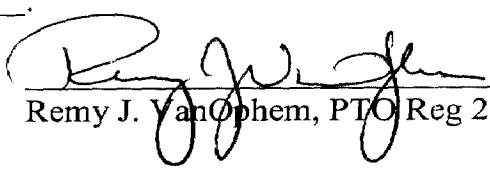
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Filing Date:	August 10, 2001	Examiner:	Unknown
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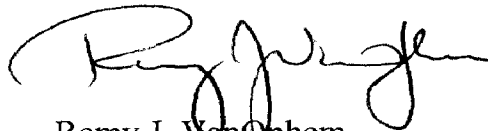
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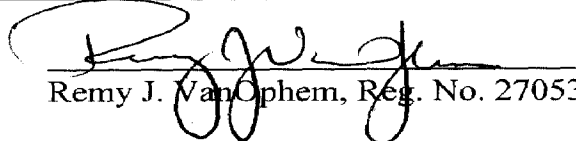
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