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2. Name and address of receiving party(ies) Name: Amco Houseworks, LLC Internal Address: Street Address: 120 Lakeview Parkway City: Vernon Hills State: IL Zip: 60061 Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No

3. Nature of conveyance: Assignment Merger Security Agreement Change of Name Other Execution Date: August 23, 2001

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s): If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: A. Patent Application No.(s) 29/140,166 09/592,927 B. Patent No.(s) D305,715 D330,863 D291,645 D348,180 Additional numbers attached? Yes No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed: Name: Anne C. Keays Internal Address: Michael Best & Friedrich Street Address: 401 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 1900 City: Chicago State: IL Zip: 60611

6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 14 7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ 560 Enclosed Authorized to be charged to deposit account 8. Deposit account number: (Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)

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Assignor: L & P Property Management Company

Assignee: Amco Houseworks, LLC

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D353,514

D387,949

D403,600

D412,671

D421,923

D412,448

D440,501

D400,396

PATENT ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, L&P Property Management Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and having its principal place of business at 4095 Firestone Boulevard, South Gate, California 90280 (hereinafter "Assignor"), having been assigned all the right, title and interest in and to the patents and/or pending patent applications identified on the attached Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Assignor desires to assign and transfer to Amco Houseworks, LLC, a limited liability company duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois and having its principal office and place of business at 120 Lakeview Parkway, Vernon Hills, Illinois 60061, (hereinafter "Assignee"), the patents and pending patent applications identified on the attached Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by the undersigned, the said Assignor by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto the said Assignee, its successors, assigns and the legal representatives, the entire and exclusive right, title and interest in and to the patents and patent applications currently owned by Assignor identified in the attached Exhibit A and the inventions described in the aforesaid patents and patent applications, the right to recover all damages resulting from infringement of said patents, including the right to sue and collect for damages for past infringement committed from the date of issuance of said patents, together with the right of priority based upon said patent under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, Inter-American Convention Relating to Patents, Designs and Industrial Models, and any other international agreements to which the United States of America adheres.

Executed this 23rd day of August, 2001.

L&P PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANY

By: *Gene B. Kartchner*
GENE B. KARTCHNER
VICE PRESIDENT

STATE OF MISSOURI
COUNTY OF JASPER

On this 23rd day of August, 2001, appeared before me Gene B. Kartchner, to me known and personally known to me to be the individual referred to in the foregoing Assignment, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Kimberly D. Kuhns
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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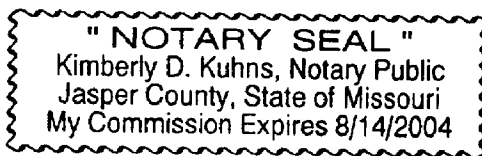


EXHIBIT A

Title	U.S. Serial No.	U.S. Patent No.	Filing Date	Issue Date
Canister	912,815	D305,715	09/26/1986	01/30/1990
Cooking Oil Can	882,693	D291,645	07/07/1986	09/01/1987
Measuring Cup	641,073	D330,863	01/14/1991	11/10/1992
Device for De-Seeding Popcorn	847,480	D348,180	03/06/1992	06/28/1994
Handle for Hand-Held Implements	16,572	D353,514	12/20/1993	12/20/1994
Roast Rack	63,011	D387,949	11/21/1996	12/23/1997
Measuring Spoon	67,035	D403,600	02/26/1997	01/05/1999
Measuring Spoon	29/087,539	D412,671	05/05/1998	08/10/1999
Cooking Timer	29/099,393	D421,923	01/20/1999	03/28/2000
Measuring Cup	29/089,931	D412,448	06/26/1998	08/03/1999
Measuring Cup with a View Window	29/123,278	D440,501	05/15/2000	04/17/2001
Utensil Handle	63,008	D400,396	11/21/1996	11/03/1998

Title	U.S. Ser. No.	Filing Date
See-Through Cooking Oil Can	29/140,166	04/12/2001
Food Presentation Stand	09/592,927	06/13/2001