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Joseph F. Kenney Jr.

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59 Field Street  
Torrington, CT 06790Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? \_\_ Yes ☒ No

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For good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I

of Joseph F. Kenney Jr.  
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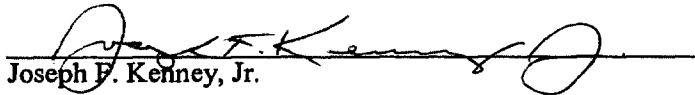
hereby sell and assign to THE TORRINGTON COMPANY (hereinafter called the ASSIGNEE), a Corporation organized and existing under the laws of DELAWARE having its principal place of business at:

59 Field Street  
Torrington, CT 06790

its successors, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest in and to the INVENTION titled:


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Joseph F. Kenney, Jr.

State of Connecticut }  
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This 4<sup>th</sup> day of Sept, 2001, before me personally came the above-named Joseph F. Kenney Jr. by me personally identified as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

  
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