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Name: Tiva Medical, Inc.
Street Address: 2157 Vista La Nisa
City: Carlsbad State: CA ZIP: 92009

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- 1) November 20, 2001
- 2) November 1, 2001

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- () Application(s) filed herewith Execution Date(s):
- (X) Patent Application No.: 09/910,482
Filing Date: July 18, 2001
- () Patent No.:
Issue Date:

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, Mark C. Doyle, a US citizen, residing at 4804 50th Street, San Diego, CA 92115 and Jimmy C. Caputo, a US citizen, residing at 2157 Vista La Nisa, Carlsbad, CA 92009, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a HAND-ACTUATED ARTICULATING SURGICAL TOOL for which we have filed an application for Letters Patent in the United States, Application No. 09/910,482, having Filing Date July 18, 2001;

AND WHEREAS, Tiva Medical, Inc. (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), with its principal place of business at 2157 Vista La Nisa, Carlsbad, CA 92009, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said inventor, do hereby acknowledge that I have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND I HEREBY covenant and agree that I will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to me respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 20TH day of November, 2001

Mark C Doyle
Mark C. Doyle

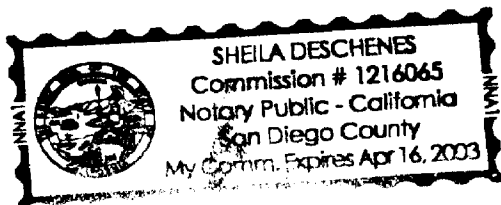
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

ss.

On Nov. 20, 2001, before me, Sheila Deschenes, personally appeared Mark C. Doyle personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same in their authorized capacity(ies), and that by their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

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Sheila Deschenes
Notary Signature

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 1st day of Nov., 2001.

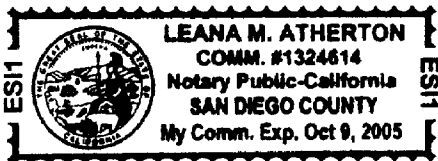
Jimmy C. Caputo
Jimmy C. Caputo

STATE OF California }
COUNTY OF San Diego } ss.

On Nov 1, 2001, before me, Leana M. Atherton, personally appeared Jimmy C. Caputo personally known to me (~~or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence~~) to be the person(~~s~~) whose name(~~s~~) ~~is~~ ~~are~~ subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same in their authorized capacity(~~ies~~), and that by their signature(~~s~~) on the instrument the person(~~s~~), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(~~s~~) acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

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Leana M. Atherton
Notary Signature

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