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**WHEREAS, I, Richard D. Nordlof, Rockford, IL;** have invented a new and useful invention entitled:

### SPACE-SAVING REEL FOR STRIP-STOCK

for which invention I have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States which was filed on \_\_\_\_\_, under Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_; and

**WHEREAS, Mechanical Tool & Engineering Co., 4701 Kishwaukee St., Rockford, IL 61109;** a Corporation of the State of Illinois, (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire domestic and foreign right, title, and interest in and under the invention described in the application for Letters Patent.

**NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:** Be it known that for good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I have assigned and set over, and by this document do assign and set over, to the Assignee and the Assignee's legal representatives, successors and assigns the entire right, title, and interest in and to the invention in the United States and every foreign country, the applications for Letters Patent and other such applications (e.g., continuations, continuations-in-part, divisionals and reissues) in the United States and every foreign country, and the Letters Patents or extensions thereof, both foreign and domestic, that may or shall issue thereon; and I do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the Letters Patent in the United States to the above-mentioned Assignee agreeably with the terms of this assignment document.

**I HEREBY AUTHORIZE** the above-mentioned Assignee to insert in this assignment document the filing date and serial number of the application if the date and number are unavailable at the time this document is executed.

**UPON SAID CONSIDERATION,** I convey to the Assignee the right to make application on its own behalf for protection of the invention in foreign countries, and to claim under the International Convention and other international arrangements the date of the United States application (and associated applications) for priority to such foreign applications.

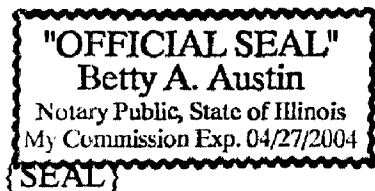
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunder set my hand on the date shown below.

Date NOVEMBER 29, 2001 Richard D. Nordlof  
Richard D. Nordlof

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On this 29th day of November, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said county, appeared Richard D. Nordlof, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing assignment document, and acknowledged that he signed and delivered the document as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.



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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 4/27/2004