

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Bernd Zähe, a citizen of Germany, have invented a pilot operated pressure valve and have made and am applying for Letters Patent herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is acknowledged, I have agreed to assign and transfer and do hereby assign and transfer unto Sun Hydraulics Corporation, having an address of 1500 West University Parkway, Sarasota, Florida 34243 and its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and application, and in and to any division, continuation or continuation-in-part of said application, and in and to any and all letters patent and reissues and extensions thereof of the United States of America and countries foreign thereto (including the right to apply for letters patent in foreign countries in his own name and to claim any priority rights for such foreign applications to which such applications are entitled under international conventions, treaties, or otherwise) which have been or may be granted on any of the foregoing to be held and enjoyed as fully and exclusively as they would have been by me had this assignment and transfer not been made.

I do further agree for myself, and for my heirs, executors and administrators, to execute and deliver without further consideration any further application, assignments and documents, and to perform such other acts as I lawfully may that may be deemed necessary by Sun Hydraulics Corporation to fully to secure its interest as aforesaid and to obtain or maintain letters patent in any and all countries;

I do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all letters patent which may be granted upon any of said applications to Sun Hydraulics Corporation, the assignee of the entire interest therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name on the day and year set forth below.



B. Zähe

Bernd Zähe, Inventor

Date: 12.6.2001