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A S S I G N M E N T

I, Gregg Prottengeier of Plymouth, Wayne County, MI

have invented a new and useful process, machine, manufacture, composition of matter, or an improvement thereof, entitled:

Trim Panel Assembly For A Motor Vehicle

for which I have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on December 21, 2000.

DaimlerChrysler Corporation, a Delaware corporation having its principal place of business at Auburn Hills, Michigan, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in the invention and under the Letters Patent, and similar protection to be obtained, worldwide.

In consideration of the payment by DaimlerChrysler Corporation to me of the sum of \$1.00 and other good and valuable consideration, receipt being acknowledged, we sell, assign, and transfer unto DaimlerChrysler Corporation, our full and entire right, title, and interest in the invention worldwide and to all Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained for the invention worldwide by the application or any continuation, division, renewal, substitute, re-examination, reissue, or any legal equivalent, for the full term or terms that may be granted.

I authorize my attorneys, authorized to prosecute said application, to insert the filing date and Serial Number of the application, to wit, Serial No., 09/747,639, filed 12/22/2000. I authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue all Letters Patent of the United States to DaimlerChrysler Corporation.

I warrant that I have the right to sell, assign, and transfer my full and entire right, title, and interest in the invention and that no assignment, sale, agreement, or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into that will conflict with this sale, assignment, and transfer.

I further agree to communicate to DaimlerChrysler Corporation or its representatives, any facts known to me respecting the invention, testify in any legal proceedings relating to the invention when called upon, and sign all instruments and documents and render such assistance which, in the judgment of DaimlerChrysler Corporation, is necessary to vest in it and protect the legal right, title, and interest assigned in this Assignment.

This Assignment will be binding on my heirs and legal representatives.

Date 12/21/00
Witness Kelly J. Snow

Gregg Prottengeier
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