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ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) COVER SHEET (37 C.F.R. Section 3.31)

Attached please find six assignment documents for recordal.

**IDENTIFICATION OF APPLICATION(S) AND/OR PATENT(S)
FOR ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) RECORDAL
(37 C.F.R. Section 3.21 and 37 C.F.R. Section 3.31(a)(4))**

- 1. This assignment is for the following patent application and/or issued patent:
 - a. National application: SN: 09/855,169, filed on May 14, 2001

**TOTAL NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS AND/OR PATENTS
AND TOTAL FEE**

2. A. The total number of applications and/or patents identified in this cover sheet is: **1**.

B. The total fee is (37 C.F.R. Section 1.21(h)):

6 assignments x \$40.00 = \$240.00

C. Payment of \$240.00 fee is included in the attached check for \$1,810.00.

**NAME OF PARTIES CONVEYING INTEREST
(37 C.F.R. Section 3.31(a)(1))**

3. The parties conveying interest are:

Howard M. Welch
 Charles J. Morell
 Michael C. Cook
 James R. Fitts, Jr.
 Donald V. Willitts
 Marion C. Morris
 Ronald H. Wideman
 John A. Brewer
 Mark M. Mleziva
 Kenneth M. Salter
 Raymond J. May
 Lavada Boggs
 Leslie D. Dobbins

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**NAME AND ADDRESS OF PARTY(IES) RECEIVING INTEREST
(37 C.F.R. Section 3.31 (a)(2))**

4. The rights are being conveyed to:

Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc.
401 North Lake Street
Neenah, WI 54956

**DESCRIPTION OF INTEREST CONVEYED OR
TRANSACTION RECORDED (37 C.F.R. Section 3.31(a)(3))**

5. The accompanying documents intend to accomplish an assignment.

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF PARTY TO WHOM
CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE MAILED (37 C.F.R. Section 3.31 (a)(5))**

6. Please address correspondence to:

Name: Neil C. Jones
Address: Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough
Keenan Building, Third Floor
1330 Lady Street
Columbia, SC 29201
Telephone No.: 864-250-2260

**DATE ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) EXECUTED
(37 C.F.R. Section 3.31(a)(7))**

7. The attached assignment (document) was executed by Howard M. Welch on October 8, 2001.
The attached assignment (document) was executed by Charles J. Morell on October 8, 2001.
The attached assignment (document) was executed by Michael C. Cook on October 8, 2001.
The attached assignment (document) was executed by James R. Fitts, Jr. on October 8, 2001.
The attached assignment (document) was executed by Donald V. Willitts on January 7, 2002.
The attached assignment (document) was executed by Marion C. Morris on October 15, 2001.
The attached assignment (document) was executed by Ronald H. Wideman on September 28, 2001.
The attached assignment (document) was executed by John A. Brewer on November 5, 2001.
The attached assignment (document) was executed by Mark M. Mleziva on October 29, 2001.
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LANGUAGE OF ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) TO BE RECORDED

8. The attached documents are in the English language.

ORIGINAL DOCUMENT OR TRUE COPY SUBMITTED

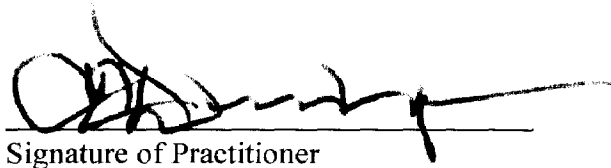
9. Submitted herewith are six original documents.

**STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. Section 3.31(a)(9)) AND
SIGNATURE (37 C.F.R. Section 3.31(a)(10))**

10. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Date: January 11, 2002

Reg. No.: 35,124
Tel. No.: 864-250-2238



Signature of Practitioner

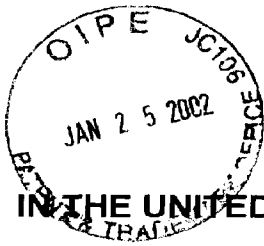
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TOTAL NUMBER OF PAGES BEING SUBMITTED

11. The total number of pages being submitted, including documents, is: 57

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NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that in consideration of the payment by the Assignee to the Assignors of the sum of One U.S. Dollar (\$1.00 U.S.) and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors hereby sell, assign and transfer to the Assignees the full and exclusive right, title and interest to said invention and in and to any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries to be obtained for said invention by said application or any continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, renewal, substitute, re-examination, conversion or reissue thereof, including all extensions thereof, or any legal equivalent thereof in any foreign country for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted, including any and all convention rights.

The Assignors hereby covenant that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment and sale.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignors have executed this document on the date indicated below:

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Howard M. Welch

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Howard M. Welch, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Charles J. Morell

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Charles J. Morell, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Michael C. Cook

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Michael C. Cook, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: James R. Fitts, Jr.

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared James R. Fitts, Jr., to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: Donald V. Willitts

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Donald V. Willitts, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: Marion C. Morris

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Marion C. Morris, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: Ronald H. Wideman

Date: Sept. 28, 2001

Name: Ronald H. Wideman

State of Wisconsin)

County of Winnebago)

On this 28 day of September, 2001, before me personally appeared Ronald H. Wideman, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

John A. Brewer
Notary Public

My Commission expires 12-07-03

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: John A. Brewer

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared John A. Brewer, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Mark M. Mleziva

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Mark M. Mleziva, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Kenneth M. Salter

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Kenneth M. Salter, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: Raymond J. May

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Raymond J. May, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: Lavada Boggs

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Lavada Boggs, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Leslie D. Dobbins

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Leslie D. Dobbins, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Howard M. Welch

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Charles J. Morell

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Charles J. Morell, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Michael C. Cook

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Michael C. Cook, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: James R. Fitts, Jr.

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: Donald V. Willitts

Date: January 7, 2002

Name: Donald V. Willitts

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Donald V. Willitts, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Marion C. Morris

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Ronald H. Wideman

State of _____)

_____)

County of _____)

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: John A. Brewer

State of _____)

_____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared John A. Brewer, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Mark M. Mleziva

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Signature: _____

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Name: Kenneth M. Salter

State of _____)

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Raymond J. May

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Date: _____

Name: Lavada Boggs

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Leslie D. Dobbins

State of _____)

County of _____)

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State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Name: Charles J. Morell

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Date: _____

Name: Michael C. Cook

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: James R. Fitts, Jr.

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Donald V. Willitts

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Signature: Marion C Morris

Date: 10/15/01

Name: Marion C. Morris

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: Ronald H. Wideman

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: John A. Brewer

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared John A. Brewer, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Mark M. Mleziva

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Kenneth M. Salter

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Raymond J. May

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Raymond J. May, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Lavada Boggs

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Leslie D. Dobbins

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: Michael C. Cook

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County of _____)

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County of _____)

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Notary Public

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State of _____)

County of _____)

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State of _____)

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: John A. Brewer

State of _____)

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County of _____)

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Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: Mark M. Mleziva

Date: October 29, 2001

Name: Mark M. Mleziva

State of Wisconsin)

County of Outagamie)

On this 29 day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared Mark M. Mleziva, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

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Signature: _____

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Date: _____

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Lavada Boggs

State of _____)

County of _____)

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

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State of _____)

County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Date: _____

Name: Charles J. Morell

State of _____)

County of _____)

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State of _____)

County of _____)

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County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

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County of _____)

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Notary Public

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Notary Public

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Signature: John A Brewer

Date: 11/5/01

Name: John A. Brewer

State of Georgia)

County of Troup)

On this 5th day of November, 2001, before me personally appeared John A. Brewer, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

James Buchanan
Notary Public

My Commission expires June 16, 2005

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Date: 11/5/01

Name: Kenneth M. Salter

State of GEORGIA)

County of TROUP)

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For: Method and Apparatus for Producing Laminated Articles

Assignment - Joint Inventors

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

WHEREAS, **Howard M. Welch**, residing at 328 West Lane, Woodstock, GA 30188, U.S.A.; **Charles J. Morell**, residing at 10480 Turner Road, Roswell, GA 30076, U.S.A.; **Michael C. Cook**, residing at 830 Misty Ridge Drive, Marietta, GA 30068, U.S.A.; **James R. Fitts, Jr.**, residing at 8070 Bailey Mill Road, Gainesville, GA 30506, U.S.A.; **Donald V. Willitts**, residing at 297 Senator Road, Douglasville, GA 30134, U.S.A.; **Marion C. Morris**, residing at 16 Silver Spur Lane, Appleton, WI 54915, U.S.A.; **Ronald H. Wideman**, residing at 1120 Melissa Street, Menasha, WI 54952, U.S.A.; **John A. Brewer**, residing at 211 North Viewpointe Drive, LaGrange, GA 30241, U.S.A.; **Mark M. Mleziva**, residing at 1213 W. Oklahoma Street, Appleton, WI 54914, U.S.A.; **Kenneth M. Salter**, residing at 106 Wilson Creek Drive, LaGrange, GA 30240, U.S.A.; **Raymond J. May**, residing at 3756 Meadow Creek, Norcross, GA 30092, U.S.A.; **Lavada Boggs**, residing at 2639 Spencer Trace, N.E., Marietta, GA 30062, U.S.A.; and **Leslie D. Dobbins**, residing at 2709 Waymar Drive, Marietta, GA 30008, U.S.A. (hereinafter collectively referred to as Assignors), have made an invention and have each either (1) previously executed an application for Letters Patent of the United

States of America therefor or (2) are contemporaneously executing an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America for the invention which is entitled:

Method and Apparatus for Producing Laminated Articles

AND WHEREAS, Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware, having offices at 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956, United States of America (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and under said Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that in consideration of the payment by the Assignee to the Assignors of the sum of One U.S. Dollar (\$1.00 U.S.) and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors hereby sell, assign and transfer to the Assignees the full and exclusive right, title and interest to said invention and in and to any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries to be obtained for said invention by said application or any continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, renewal, substitute, re-examination, conversion or reissue thereof, including all extensions thereof, or any legal equivalent thereof in any foreign country for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted, including any and all convention rights.

The Assignors hereby covenant that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment and sale.

The Assignors further covenant that the Assignors will promptly provide, upon written request, Assignee with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents in foreign countries as may be known and accessible to the Assignors and that they will promptly execute and deliver to Assignee or its legal representatives any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue, extend and enforce said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof in any foreign country which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignors have executed this document on the date indicated below:

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: *Howard M. Welch*

Date: October 8, 2001

Name: Howard M. Welch

State of Georgia)

County of Fulton)

On this 8th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared Howard M. Welch, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Betty E. Davis
Notary Public

My Commission expires Betty E. Davis
Notary Public, Fulton County, Georgia
My Commission Expires October 23, 2004

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: *Charles J. Morell*

Date: October 8, 2001

Name: Charles J. Morell

State of Georgia)

County of Fulton)

On this 8th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared Charles J. Morell, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Betty E. Davis
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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: Michael C. Cook

Date: October 8, 2001

Name: Michael C. Cook

State of Georgia

County of Fulton

On this 8th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared Michael C. Cook, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Betty E. Davis

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: James R. Fitts, Jr.

Date: October 8, 2001

Name: James R. Fitts, Jr.

State of Georgia

County of Fulton

On this 8th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared James R. Fitts, Jr., to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Donald V. Willitts

State of _____)

County of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Donald V. Willitts, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Marion C. Morris

State of _____)

County of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Marion C. Morris, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Ronald H. Wideman

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Ronald H. Wideman, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: John A. Brewer

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared John A. Brewer, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Mark M. Mleziva

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Mark M. Mleziva, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: Kenneth M. Salter

State of _____)

County of _____)

On this _____ day of _____, 2001, before me personally appeared Kenneth M. Salter, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Notary Public

My Commission expires _____

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: *Raymond J. May*

Date: 10/8/01

Name: Raymond J. May

State of Georgia

County of Fulton

On this 8th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared Raymond J. May, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Betty E. Davis
Notary Public

My Commission expires _____
Betty E. Davis
Notary Public, Fulton County, Georgia
~~My Commission Expires October 23, 2004~~

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: *Lavada Boggs*

Date: 10/08/01

Name: Lavada Boggs

State of Georgia

County of Fulton

On this 8th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared Lavada Boggs, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Betty E. Davis
Notary Public

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Betty E. Davis
Notary Public, Fulton County, Georgia
~~My Commission Expires October 23, 2004~~

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand on the date set after my signature.

Signature: Leslie D. Dobbins

Date: October 8, 2001

Name: Leslie D. Dobbins

State of Georgia)

County of Fulton)

On this 8th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared Leslie D. Dobbins, to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed; in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and official seal on the day last above-written.

Betty E. Davis
Notary Public

My Commission expires Betty E. Davis
Notary Public, Fulton County, Georgia
My Commission Expires October 23, 2004