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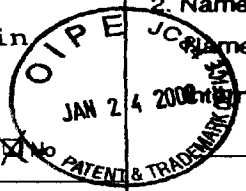
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, Dennis J. Berndt, Scott M. Coffin, David S. Klis, Richard M. Olson, and Gerald J. Pomerening, residing or having a mailing address at 694 Northbridge Ct., Eagan, MN 55123, 20 Wedgewood Lane North, Plymouth, MN 55441, 16710 45th Ave. N., Plymouth, MN 55446, 6630 175th Ave. W., Eden Prairie, MN 55346 and 20591 Akin Rd., Farmington, MN 55024, respectively, have made certain new and useful inventions and improvements for which we executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States which is entitled **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING GROOVED ROLLER WITH VARIABLE SHOULDERS**, the specification of which was filed July 25, 2001 as Serial Number 09/915,176;

AND, WHEREAS, The Toro Company, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, and having an office and place of business at 8111 Lyndale Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions, improvements and applications and in and to the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto aid The Toro Company, its successors or assigns, the entire right, title and interest for all countries in and to all inventions and improvements disclosed in the aforesaid application, and in and to said application, all divisions, continuations, or renewals thereof, all Letters Patent which may be granted therefrom, and all reissues or extensions of such patents, and in and to any and all applications which have been or shall be filed in any foreign countries for Letters Patent on said inventions and improvements, including an assignment of all rights under the provisions of the International Convention, and all Letters Patent of foreign countries which may be granted therefrom; and

WE do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all United States Letters Patent for the aforesaid inventions and improvements to said The Toro Company as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the use of said The Toro Company, its successors or assigns.

AND, for the consideration aforesaid, we do hereby agree that we, or our executors or legal representatives, will make, execute and deliver any and all other instruments in writing relating to said inventions and improvements including any and all further application papers, affidavits, assignments and other documents, and will communicate to said The Toro Company, its representatives, successors or assigns, any and all facts known to us relating to said inventions and improvements and the history thereof, and will testify in all legal proceedings and generally do all things which may be necessary or desirable more effectually to secure to and vest in said The Toro Company, its successors or assigns the entire right, title and interest in and to the improvements, inventions, applications, Letters Patent, rights, titles, benefits, privileges and advantages hereby sold, assigned and conveyed, or intended so to be.

AND, FURTHERMORE, we covenant and agree with said The Toro Compa-

ny, its successors or assigns, that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by us, and that the full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by us.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands, as of the date written below adjacent our signatures.

Full Name of First Inventor	Signature	Date
Dennis J. Berndt	<i>Dennis J. Berndt</i>	10-16-01
Full Name of Second Joint Inventor, If Any	Signature	Date
Scott M. Coffin	<i>Scott M. Coffin</i>	10-16-01
Full Name of Third Joint Inventor, If Any	Signature	Date
David S. Klis	<i>David S. Klis</i>	10/16/01
Full Name of Fourth Joint Inventor, If Any	Signature	Date
Richard M. Olson	<i>Richard M. Olson</i>	10-17-01
Full Name of Fifth Joint Inventor, If Any	Signature	Date
Gerald J. Pomeroy	<i>Gerald J. Pomeroy</i>	10-15-01

STATE OF Minnesota)
COUNTY OF Hennepin)

On this 16th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared Dennis J. Berndt, to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

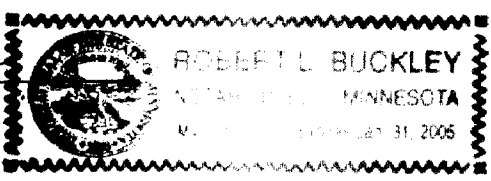
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On this 16th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared Scott M. Coffin, to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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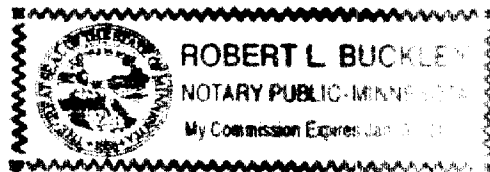


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On this 16th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared David S. Klis, to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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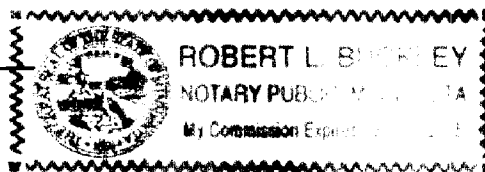


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On this 17th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared Richard M. Olson, to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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On this 25th day of October, 2001, before me personally appeared Gerald J. Pomerening, to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Notary Public

Marguerite M. Gerold

