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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS I, Douglas R. Dole, residing at 9 Minsi Road, Whitehouse Station, New Jersey 08889, U.S.A., am a co-inventor of an invention entitled KNIFE GATE VALVE described and claimed in an application for United States Letters Patent, U.S. Application No. 09/726,705, filed November 30, 2000.

AND WHEREAS, VICTAULIC COMPANY OF AMERICA, a corporation of the State of New Jersey having a place of business at 4901 Kesslerville Road, Easton, Pennsylvania 18040-6714, desires to acquire the entire interest in said application and any Letters Patent which may issue thereon;

NOW THEREFORE, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and confirm unto VICTAULIC COMPANY OF AMERICA, its successors, assigns and legal representatives all right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvement thereon for all countries of the world, and in and to said application and any divisions, continuations, renewals and substitutes thereof, and any and all Letters Patent which may issue thereon, and any reissues of the same; and I do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all patents granted on said invention to VICTAULIC COMPANY OF AMERICA, as the assignee of the patents granted on said invention to VICTAULIC COMPANY OF AMERICA, as the assignee of the entire interest therein, and I further agree to execute upon request of the assignee such additional documents, if any, as are necessary and proper to secure patent protection on said invention, and to otherwise give full effect to, and perfect the rights of the assignee under this Assignment.

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IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name at EASTON, PA, this 3 rd day of DECEMBER,
2001.
Douglas R. Dole
County of NORTHAMMTON: State of PENNSYLVANIA:
State of PENNSYLVANIA:
On the Grd day of DECEMBER, 2001, appeared before me in person the above-named Douglas R. Dole, and acknowledged the above to be his signature and that he signed, sealed and delivered the above instrument as his voluntary act and deed and for uses and purposes therein set forth.
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