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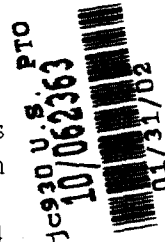
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- (2) Samuel O. Isokpunwu of Austin,  
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- (3) Eduardo N. Spring of Round Rock,  
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have invented certain improvement in

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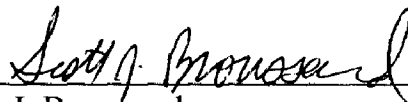
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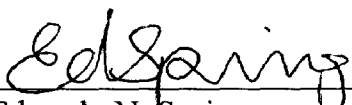
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