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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, the undersigned Joseph Byrd and David LaKose have made a certain new and useful invention for "ROTARY GRANULAR MATERIAL CUTTERS" for which the undersigned is about to make application in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for Letters Patent of the United States thereon, Serial No. 09/564,942 filed 5/5/2000 ;

WHEREAS, Quaker Oats Company of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, ("assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in and to the Patent and the invention covered by it.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One (1) Dollar and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned does hereby sell, assign, and transfer to assignee and the legal representatives, successors and assigns of the assignee, the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and the Patent, and any reissue or reissues of the Patent, the same to be held and enjoyed by the assignee as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the undersigned had this assignment and sale not been made, and together with all claims for damages by reason of past infringement of the Patent with the right to sue for and collect the same for the assignee's own use.

The undersigned also covenants and agrees with the assignee that the undersigned has the full right to convey the interest sold and assigned and has not executed and will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever in conflict with the rights and interest assigned; and that the undersigned will at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the assignee: execute such additional assignments and other documents and do such additional acts as the assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect or confirm this assignment and the assignee's enjoyment of the rights acquired; and aid in enforcing any rights accruing as a result of the Patent by giving testimony in any proceedings or transactions involving the Patent and by cooperating in the execution of documents, statements, affidavits, etc. that may be required in any such proceeding or transaction.

It is understood that the foregoing covenants and agreements shall bind the legal representatives of the undersigned and inure to the benefit of the legal representatives, successors and assigns of the assignee.

Dated the 4 day of May, 2000.

Joseph A. Byrd

David D. LaRose

STATE OF IOWA)
) ss
COUNTY OF LINN)

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Joseph Byrd and David LaRose, known to me to be the same persons who executed the foregoing Assignment, and acknowledged that the same was signed and delivered as the free and voluntary act thereof, for the uses and purposes therein set forth, on the day and year aforesaid.

Nancy L. Blazek
Notary Public

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