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**ENERGY ABSORBING EXTERNAL COMPONENT FOR VEHICLE**

for which a patent application of the United States has been filed on November 29, 2001 and having a Serial No. of 09/997,670; and

WHEREAS, Patent Holding Company, a corporation formed under the laws of Michigan, having a place of business at 33662 James J. Pompo Dr., Fraser, Michigan 48026, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in, to and under said invention and the United States Letters Patent to be obtained therefor:

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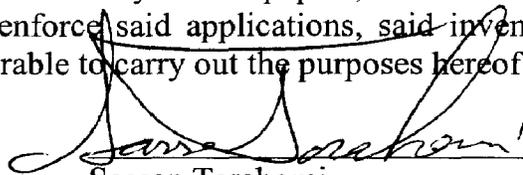
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Date: January 7, 2002

  
Sassan Tarahomi

State of Michigan )  
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I hereby certify that Sassan Tarahomi before me personally appeared and acknowledged that the foregoing Assignment was duly signed, sealed and delivered by him as his free and voluntary act on this 7<sup>TH</sup> day of JANUARY, 2002.

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My commission expires:

Dec. 5, 2004

Date: Jan. 8, 2002

William G. Hofmann  
William G. Hofmann

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I hereby certify that William G. Hofmann before me personally appeared and acknowledged that the foregoing Assignment was duly signed, sealed and delivered by him as his free and voluntary act on this 8<sup>TH</sup> day of JANUARY, 2002.

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