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WHEREAS, We, **Martin KREUZER**, **Udo BIEBER** and **Christian LORENZ** of Wendelinusweg 2, 63839 Kleinwallstadt, Germany; of Nordring 5, 63843 Niedernberg, Germany; and of Ebersbacher Strasse 66, 63849 Leidersbach 3, Germany, respectively, have made new and useful improvements in

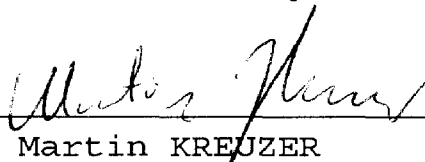
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WHEREAS, **TRW Automotive Safety Systems GmbH & Co. KG**, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany, having its place of business at Hefner-Alteneck-Strasse 11, 63743 Aschaffenburg, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and all patents therefor to be obtained in the United States of America and countries foreign to the United States;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for valuable considerations to us paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, We, the said, **Martin KREUZER**, **Udo BIEBER** and **Christian LORENZ** do hereby assign, sell and set over unto the said **TRW Automotive Safety Systems GmbH & Co. KG**, its successors or assigns; the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid improvements and any and all inventions pertaining thereto, the application for United States patent executed by us on the 20 day of February, 2002, the 20 day of February, 2002, and the 20 day of February, 2002, respectively, all patents granted therefor in the United States of America and elsewhere, and the right to apply for patents therefor in all countries foreign to the United States and to claim for such applications the priority of United States applications, and We hereby request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any official of any country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents, to issue such

patents to the said TRW Automotive Safety Systems GmbH & Co. KG, its successors or assigns; and We further agree to execute such other applications and other instruments and do all other acts as may be deemed necessary by the said TRW Automotive Safety Systems GmbH & Co. KG, its successors or assigns in order fully to secure, protect, and preserve its rights to the said improvements and to obtain patents therefor in the United States of America and all countries foreign to the United States, all without further consideration but at the expense of the said TRW Automotive Safety Systems GmbH & Co. KG, its successors or assigns.

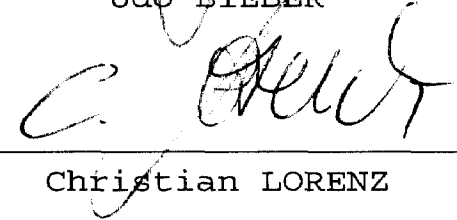
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