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**ASSIGNMENT**

**WHEREAS**, we, **Timothy RODD, Graham FULLER, Peter T.M. NOTT** and **Richard HARBUTT**, respectively citizens of the United Kingdom, with respective post office addresses of Chart House, Sandy Lane, Lyndhurst, Hampshire, United Kingdom; Cranfield University, Cranfield, Bedfordshire, United Kingdom; 4 Belvedere, Landsdown Road, Bath, Somerset, United Kingdom; 4 Hartley Copse, Old Windsor, Berkshire, United Kingdom, hereinafter generally referred to as "ASSIGNORS," have invented a certain new and useful

**"Apparatus for holding a metered dispensing of at least one active composition into a washing machine, a laundry dryer or a diswashing machine"**

for which I have executed a United States patent application, Application No. 10/053,816, filed January 22, 2002, and

**ASSIGNOR** authorizes **ASSIGNEE** or **ASSIGNEE's** representative to insert the Application Number and Filing date of this application if they are unknown at the time of execution of this Assignment.

**WHEREAS, Reckitt Benckiser N.V.**, a Dutch corporation having a place of business at Kantoorgebouw De Appelaer, De Fruittuinen 2-12, 2132 NZ Hoofddorp, Netherlands, hereinafter generally referred to as "**ASSIGNEE**", is desirous of acquiring said invention and said patent application.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other good and valuable executed consideration, the full receipt and sufficiency of all of which are hereby acknowledged and intending to be legally bound hereby, we, the undersigned **ASSIGNORS**, hereby agree to sell, assign, transfer and convey and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey unto the above-named **ASSIGNEE**, the whole and entire right, title and interest

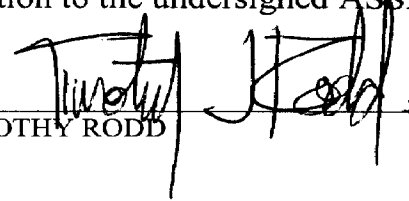
in and to said invention as described in the above patent application, for the territory of the United States and its possessions and territories and all foreign countries;

in and to the above patent application and any and all related United States and foreign patent applications disclosing said invention, including provisionals, non-provisionals, divisions and continuations thereof, along with all rights of priority created by said patent application under any treaty relating thereto; and

in and to all United States and foreign patents which may be granted on any and all of said patent applications, including extensions, reissues and reexamination certificates thereof;

said invention, application(s) and patent(s) to be held and enjoyed by the above-named ASSIGNEE, for ASSIGNEE's own use and benefit, and for ASSIGNEE's legal representatives and assigns to the full end of the term or terms for which said patent(s) may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the undersigned ASSIGNORS had this assignment and sale not been made; and for the aforesaid consideration ASSIGNORS hereby covenant, agree and undertake to execute, whenever requested by the above-named ASSIGNEE, all patent applications, assignments, lawful oaths and any other papers which ASSIGNEE may deem necessary or desirable for securing to ASSIGNEE or for maintaining for ASSIGNEE all the patent(s) hereby assigned or agreed to be assigned; all without further compensation to the undersigned ASSIGNORS.

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