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We, Mark D. Hilburger and Daniel J. Leonard, have made an invention which now is described and claimed in an application for patent entitled AIR SPRING CLAMPING ASSEMBLY, which application  is being executed and filed concurrently herewith.  was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ and now is designated as United States patent application number \_\_\_\_\_.

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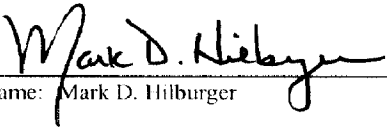
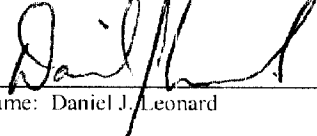
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