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WHEREAS, I, MARTIN ZIPPERER, a citizen of Germany residing at ANNETTE-THOMA-STRASSE 19, D-85095 DENKENDORF, GERMANY, (hereinafter referenced as ASSIGNOR), have invented a certain new and useful invention entitled METHOD AND APPARATUS TO MONITOR A YARN PIECING JOINT ON A SPINNING MACHINE, for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States has been filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 27, 2001, receiving Serial No. 09/995,008;

AND WHEREAS, RIETER INGOLSTADT SPINNEREIMASCHINENBAU AG, having its principal office and place of business at FRIEDRICH-EBERT-STRASSE 84, D-85046 INGOLSTADT, GERMANY, (hereinafter ASSIGNEE) is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said ASSIGNOR, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the full and exclusive right, title and interest to the said invention and in and to said application and all patents which may be granted therefor, and all divisionals, reissues, continuations, continuations-in-part, and extensions thereof, in the United States and all foreign countries, together with the right of priority under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, Inter-American Convention Relating to Patents, Designs and Industrial Models, and any other international agreements to which the United States of America adheres, and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to the said ASSIGNEE, for its interest as ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives.


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Agreeing furthermore, upon request of said ASSIGNEE, and without further remuneration, to execute any and all papers desired by said ASSIGNEE for the filing and granting of applications and the perfecting of such right, title, and interest thereto in said ASSIGNEE.

This assignment executed on the date indicated below.


MARTIN ZIPPERER

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