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Yes

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Yes
No 4. Application number(s) or patent number(s): If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: A. Patent Application No.(s) B. Patent No.(s) 5,571,129 5,766,197 Additional numbers attached?
Yes
No 6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 2 5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed: 7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ 80.00 Name: Karl M. Zielaznicki, Esq. Internal Address: Authorized to be charged to deposit account Jenkens & Gilchrist Parker Chapin LLP 8. Deposit account number: Street Address: The Chrysler Building 500-672 405 Lexington Avenue (Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account) City: New York Zip:10174 State: NY DO NOT USE THIS SPACE 9. Statement and signature. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document. May /, 2002Karl M. Zielaznicki Date Name of Person Signing Signature Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and documen

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PATENT ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, simultaneously with the execution and delivery of this Patent Assignment (this "Assignment"), Portlyn Corporation, a New Hampshire corporation (the "Assignor"), is selling certain of its patent assets and other assets pursuant to an Asset Contribution and Exchange Agreement (the "Asset Contribution and Exchange Agreement"), executed by the parties March 24, 1999, to Portlyn, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "Assignee").

WHEREAS, the Assignor is the owner of all right, title and interest, for all countries, in and to certain inventions as described in the Letters Patents set forth on Exhibit A hereto, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, all other grants of protection of proprietary rights, including but not limited to, inventor's certificates, utility modes, utility certificates, patents of importation, registrations of patent and industrial design registrations which may be filed and granted, upon said inventions in any countries or jurisdictions foreign to the United States, and all reissues, renewals and extensions thereof (the "Patents"); and

WHEREAS, the Assignee desires to acquire from the Assignor all of its right, title and interest in and to the Patents worldwide:

NOW THEREFORE, for the good and valuable consideration set forth in the Asset Contribution and Exchange Agreement, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by the Assignor, the Assignor hereby conveys, assigns and delivers unto the Assignee all of its right, title and interest in and to the Patents worldwide, to the full end of the term for which any Patents, reissues, renewals and extensions thereof are or may be granted.

The Assignor expressly agrees to execute and deliver at the request of the Assignee, all papers, instruments, and other documents and to perform any other acts the Assignee may require in order to vest all right, title and interest in and to the Patents in the Assignee and/or to provide evidence to support any of the foregoing in the event such evidence is deemed necessary by the Assignee.

Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and all officials of countries or jurisdictions foreign to the United States having authority so to do, to issue all such Letters Patent or other grants of protection upon said inventions to the Assignee or to such nominees as it may designate.

Assignor authorizes and empowers said Assignee or nominees to invoke and claim for any application for such Letters Patent or other grants of protection for said inventions filed by Assignee or its nominee, the benefit of the right of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by a convention which may henceforth be substituted for it, and to invoke and claim such rights of priority without further written or oral authorization from Assignor.

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Assignor hereby consents that a copy of this assignment shall be deemed a full and formal equivalent of any assignment, consent to file or like document which may be required in any country or region for any purpose and more particularly in proof of the rights of the said Assignee or nominees to claim the aforesaid benefit of the rights of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by any convention which may henceforth be substituted for it.

Assignor covenants and agrees that it will communicate to said Assignee or nominees all facts known pertaining to said inventions, and testify in all legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and declarations and in general perform all lawful acts necessary or proper to aid said Assignee or nominees in obtaining, maintaining and enforcing all lawful patent or other grants of protection of said inventions in any and all countries and regions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignor has executed this Assignment on MARCA 30 1999.

Portlyn Corporation

David E. Porter Name:

Title:

President

STATE OF MANY)

COUNTY OF MENNAOK

On the 29day of Mall in the year 1999 before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the said State, personally appeared David E. Porter, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

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Exhibit A

<u>Title</u>	Patent No.	Issue Date
Surgical Cutting Instrument with Anti-Torque Outer Jacket	5,766,197	June 16, 1998
Surgical Cutting Instrument with Improved Cleaning Capability and Ease of Use	5,571,129	November 5, 1996

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