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- 2. Greg Brunton
- 3. Robert Lyons

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( ) Yes (X) No

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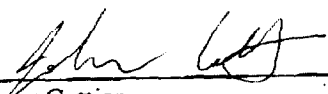
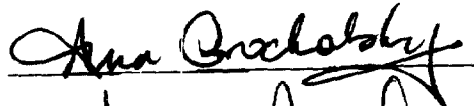

WHEREAS, We, John Sydney Cottier, an Australian citizen, residing at 90B MiMi Street, Oatley, NSW 2223, Australia, Greg Brunton, an Australian citizen, residing at 51 Roxborough Park Road, Castle Hill, New South Wales 2154, Australia and Robert Lyons, a United States citizen, residing at 11015 Antietam Drive, Alta Loma, CA 91737 (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNORS"), have invented certain new and useful improvements in A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING A LAMINATED SHEET MATERIAL BY SPATTERING, the specification of which was filed as U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/090,388 on March 4, 2002;

AND WHEREAS, JAMES HARDIE RESEARCH PTY LIMITED (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), an Australian Corporation, with its principal place of business at Level 1, Research and Product Development Building, 10 Colquhoun Street, Rosehill, NSW 2142 Australia, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in return for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby acknowledges that it has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all provisional applications relating thereto, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and ASSIGNORS hereby authorizes and requests 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 on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND ASSIGNORS covenants and agrees that it will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, ASSIGNORS intending to be legally bound has hereunto affixed its signature.

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