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FROM INVENTOR(S) TO COMPANY

WHEREAS I, **Michael J. Josef**, have made a certain new and useful invention as set forth in an application for United States Letters Patent, entitled: **PULL-ON LEADER**, for which an application for United States Letters Patent was filed on **June 21, 2002**, and identified by United States Serial No. **10/177,821** ;

AND WHEREAS, **Albany International Corp.** a corporation of the State of **Delaware** and having an address of **1373 Broadway, Albany, New York 12204**, hereinafter referred to as assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries that may be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt for and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said assignee, its legal representatives, successors, and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention as set forth in the above-mentioned application, including any continuations, continuations-in-part, divisions, reissues, re-examinations or extensions thereof, and in and to any and all patents of the United States and foreign countries that may be issued for said invention;

UPON SAID CONSIDERATIONS, I hereby agree with the said assignee that I will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that I will, at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration but at the expense of said assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and do such additional acts as said assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, divisional, continuations, continuations-in-part, reexamined, reissued, or extended Letters Patent of the United States or of any and all foreign countries on said invention, and in enforcing any rights or causes of action accruing as a result of such applications or patents, by giving testimony in any proceedings or transactions involving such applications or patents, and by executing preliminary statements and other affidavits, it being understood that the foregoing covenant and agreement shall bind, and inure to the benefit of the assigns and legal representatives of assignor and assignee;

AND I request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent of the United States that may be issued for said invention to said assignee, its legal representatives, successors or assigns, as the sole owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to said patent and the invention covered thereby.

Date July 8, 2002 Signature Michael J. Josef
(Michael J. Josef)

STATE OF SC
COUNTY OF GREENVILLE SS:

On this day of 8 of JULY, 2002, before me a Notary Public, personally appeared Michael J. Josef, to me known and known to me to be the individual named in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he being by me first duly sworn, did acknowledge that he executed the same as his own free act and deed and as and for the purposes therein set forth.

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