Docket No.: 01-1029-A 08-22-2002 FORM PTO-1595 (Modified) **HEET** U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (Rev. 6-93) OMB No >651-0011 (exp.4/94) Patent and Trademark Office Copyright 1994-97 LegalStar P08/REV02 102197875 Tab settings → → To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof. 1. Name of conveying party(ies): 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies): 8-20-02 Jeffrey A. Anderson Name: Meridian Automotive Systems, Inc. Jon F. Baker Michael E. Kennedy Internal Address: Corporate Crossings ☐ Yes 🛛 No Additional names(s) of conveying party(ies) Nature of conveyance: ✓ Assignment □ Merger Street Address: 550 Town Center, Suite 475 ☐ Change of Name ☐ Security Agreement ☐ Other City: Dearborn \_ State: MI ZIP: 48126 Execution Date: 7/29/02; 7/31/02; 8/2/02 X No Application number(s) or registration numbers(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) 10/175,635 Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes 5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence 6. Total number of applications and patents involved: concerning document should be mailed: Name: Grantland G. Drutchas 7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41):....\$ 40.00 Internal Address: McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert ☑ Enclosed - Any excess or insufficiency should be credited or debited to deposit account & Berghoff Authorized to be charged to deposit account Street Address: 300 South Wacker Drive, Suite 3200 8. Deposit account number: 13-2490 ZIP: 60606 City: Chicago State: IL 08/21/2002 DBYKNE 00000264 101/3635 DO NOT USE THIS SPACE D1 FC:581 40.00 OP

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## **ASSIGNMENT**

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Inventors: Jeffrey A. Anderson, Jon F. Baker, Michael E. Kennedy

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In consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby assign to:

## Meridian Automotive Systems, Inc., a corporation of the State of Michigan

its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the invention or improvements of the undersigned disclosed in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, entitled:

## COMBINATION PICKUP TRUCK LIFTGATE/TAILGATE

and identified as:

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in the offices of McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff and in said application and any and all other applications, both United States and foreign, which the undersigned may file, either solely or jointly with others, on said invention or improvements, and in any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries, which may be obtained on any of said applications, and in any reissue or extension of such patents, and further assigns to said assignee the priority right provided by the International Convention.

The undersigned hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said assignee.

The undersigned hereby authorize and request the attorneys of record in said application to insert in this assignment the filing date and serial number of said application when officially known, and the date of execution of the application.

The undersigned warrant themselves to be the owners of the entire right, title and interest in said invention or improvements and to have the right to make this assignment, and further warrant that there are no outstanding prior assignments, licenses, or other encumbrances on the interest herein assigned.

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For said considerations the undersigned hereby agree, upon the request and at the expense of said assignee, its successors and assigns, to execute any and all divisional, continuation and substitute applications for said invention or improvements, and any necessary oath, affidavit or declaration relating thereto, and any application for the reissue or extension of any Letters Patent that may be granted upon said application and any and all applications and other documents for Letters Patent in foreign countries on said invention or improvements, that said assignee, its successors or assigns may deem necessary or expedient, and for the said considerations the undersigned authorize said assignee to apply for patents for said invention or improvements in its own name in such countries where such procedure is proper and further agree, upon the request of said assignee, its successors and assigns, to cooperate to the best of the ability of the undersigned with said assignee, its successors and assigns, in any proceedings or transactions involving such applications or patents, including the preparation and execution of preliminary statements, giving and producing evidence, and performing any and all other acts necessary to obtain, maintain and enforce said Letters Patent, both United States and foreign, and vest all rights therein hereby conveyed in the assignee, its successors and assigns, whereby said Letters Patent will be held and enjoyed by the said assignee, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent will be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the undersigned if this assignment had not been made.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 2 day of Hugust, 2002.

Jeffrey A. Anderson

State of

MICHIGAN

County of

DAKLAND

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 2nd day of

Pugust, 2002 by Jeffrey A. Anderson.

ZINA KIRYAKOS Notary Public. Oakland County, MI My Commission Expires Dec 13 2005

WITNESS my hand and seal this 31 day of July, 2002.
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Jon F. Baker
State of Michigan
County of Wayne
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 315+ day of
July , 2002 by Jon F. Baker.  Live Augusts  NOTARY PUBLIC
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WITNESS my hand and seal this <u>Z9</u> day of <u>JUCY</u> , 2002.  Michael E. Kennedy
State of MICHIGAN
County of OAKLAND
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 2 day of
July , 2002 by Michael E. Kennedy.  NOTARY PUBLIC
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