

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, by virtue of an Assignment recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on Reel 11434, Frame 0284, on January 9, 2001, TOZEN SANGYO CO., LTD. (hereinafter referred to as Assignor) is the owner of United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/757 280, filed on January 9, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6 382 682, Issued May 7, 2002, in the name of Shinsaku TANEDA and entitled EXTENDABLE PIPE JOINT.

WHEREAS, TMTS INC., having a place of business at 8-4 Asahi, Yoshikawa, Saitama, Japan, (hereinafter referred to as Assignee) is desirous of acquiring from said Assignor the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the aforesaid patent application and the invention therein described and claimed.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and in exchange for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) paid by the said Assignee, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor has sold, assigned and transferred and by these presents does sell, assign, transfer, and set over to the said Assignee the full and exclusive right to said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof.

Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Patent and Trademark Office officials in the United States and in any and all foreign countries to issue any and all of said Letters Patent, when granted, to said Assignee as the Assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and behoof of said Assignee, its successors and assigns.


Further, Assignor agrees that it will communicate to said Assignee, or its representatives, any facts known to it respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, substitution, renewal and reissue applications, execute all necessary Assignment papers to cause any and all of said Letters Patent to be issued to said Assignee, make all rightful oaths or declarations, and generally cooperate with said Assignee, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Assignor has caused this instrument to be executed by its duly authorized corporate officer this 19th day of June, 2002, at Japan.

Signed in the Presence of

TOZEN SANGYO CO., LTD.

K. Kondo
Witness Kazumi Kondo

By 
Akira Muroi, President of
TOZEN SANGYO CO., LTD.

M. Sugiyama
Witness Masami Sugiyama

Title