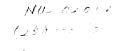
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(HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS ASSIGNOR), have invented and own a certain new and useful invention entitled:

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TITLE OF INVENTION:

WHEREAS

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