

9/3/02

FORM PTO-1595  
1-31-92

09-05-2002

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
Patent and Trademark OfficeOFFICE OF PUBLIC RECORDS  
RECORDED

ET

102212696

ATTY. DKT. M01B110

To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

## 1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Ian David STONES  
Stuart John HOBBSAdditional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

## 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Name: The BOC Group plc  
Internal Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: Chertsey Road  
Windlesham, Surrey GU20 6HJ  
ENGLAND  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

## 3. Nature of conveyance:

- ☒
- Assignment
- ☐
- Merger
- 
- ☐
- Security Agreement
- ☐
- Change of Name
- 
- ☐
- Other

Execution Date: July 23, 2002 and July 19, 2002, respectively

## 4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: \_\_\_\_\_

## A. Patent Application No.(s)

10/164,757  
filed June 7, 2002

## B. Patent No.(s)

Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

## 5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: IRA LEE ZEBRAK  
Internal Address: Intellectual Property Dept.  
Street Address: The BOC Group, Inc.  
100 Mountain Avenue  
City: Murray Hill State: NJ Zip: 079746. Total number of applications and patents involved: 17. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41): ..... \$ 40.00

- ☐
- Enclosed
- 
- ☒
- Authorized to be charged to deposit account

09/04/2002 GTON11 00000122 022865 10164757  
01 FC:581 40.00 CH8. Deposit account number: 02-2865  
(Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)

DO NOT USE THIS SPACE

## 9. Statement and Signature.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Ira Lee Zebra  
Registration No. 31,147Aug 21, 2002  
DateTotal number of pages comprising cover sheet: 1

JOINT ASSIGNMENT

For value received, we, **Ian David Stones** and **Stuart John Hobbs**, citizens of the United Kingdom, residing, respectively at 4 The Oaks, Burgess Hill, West Sussex RH15 9XP, England; and 37 King George VI Drive, Hove, East Sussex BN3 6XF, England, do hereby sell and assign to **The BOC Group plc**, an English Company of Chertsey Road, Windlesham, Surrey GU20 6HJ, England, its successors or assigns, the entire right, title and interest, in our improvement in **LUBRICATING SYSTEMS FOR REGENERATIVE VACUUM PUMPS** for which we have made application for Letters Patent of the United States, which application may be identified in the United States Patent Office as **Serial No. 10/164,757** filing date **June 7, 2002**; and, together with any Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, and any divisions, reissues, continuations or extensions thereof, and authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent resulting therefrom to said Company as assignee, and covenant that we have full right so to do and agree that we will communicate to said Company or its representatives any facts known to us respecting said improvement and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation and reissue applications in connection therewith, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid said Company, its successors, assigns or nominees to obtain and enforce in the United States proper protection for said improvement.

DateAssignor23rd July 2002

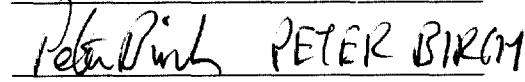
Ian David Stones

19th July 2002

Stuart John Hobbs

Witnessed By:

NEIL MUNN

At: BOC EDWARDS, BURGESS HILL23rd July 2002

PETER BIRCH

At: BOC EDWARDSSHOREHAM BY SEA19th July 2002