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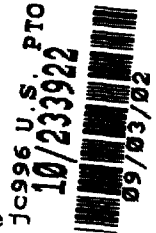
Name: NORDCO INC.

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 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53207

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, David Sean Johnsen, a citizen of the United States, residing at 2546 North 95th Street, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin 53226, William D. Straub, a citizen of the United States, residing at 2823 North 68th Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53210, and Bruce M. Boczkiewicz, a citizen of the United States, residing at W338 S9474 Valley View Drive, Mukwonago, Wisconsin 53149 hereinafter collectively referred to as ASSIGNORS, have invented and own a certain invention entitled:

COMBINED TIE EXTRACTOR AND PLATE REMOVER FOR RAIL MAINTENANCE

for which application for Letters Patent of the United States has been filed on even date; and

WHEREAS, NORDCO INC. a corporation of the State of Delaware, having a principal place of business at 182 West Oklahoma Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53207, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in, to and under said invention and the United States Letters Patent to be obtained therefor:

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Be it known that in consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE TO ASSIGNORS of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign and transfer to ASSIGNEE the full and exclusive right, title and interest to said invention and all Letters Patent of the United States to be obtained therefor on said application or any continuation, division, renewal, substitute or reissue thereof for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted.

ASSIGNORS also assign all of their rights, titles and interests in and to said invention in all foreign countries, and all applications for Letters Patent which may evolve therefrom, including the right to claim International Convention priority.

ASSIGNORS hereby covenant that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment and sale.

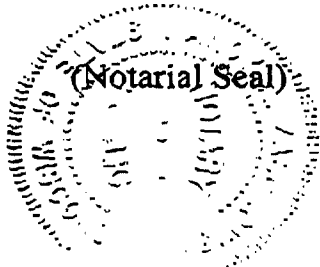
ASSIGNORS further covenant that ASSIGNEE will, upon its request, be provided promptly with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said application, said invention and said Letters Patent as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNORS and ASSIGNORS will testify as to the same in any interference or litigation related thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its legal representative any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain and enforce said application, said invention and said Letters Patent which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes hereof.

Date 9/3/2002

David S Johnsen
David Sean Johnsen

State of Wisconsin
County of Milwaukee

I hereby certify that David Sean Johnsen before me personally appeared and acknowledged that the foregoing Assignment was duly signed, sealed and delivered by him as his free and voluntary act on this 3rd day of September, 2002.



Notary Public Nancy A. Zabrowski

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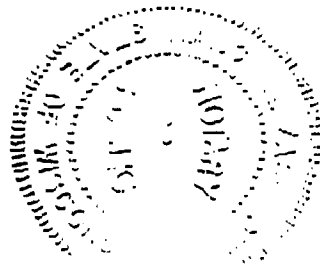
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William D. Straub
William D. Straub

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County of Milwaukee

I hereby certify that William D. Straub before me personally appeared and acknowledged that the foregoing Assignment was duly signed, sealed and delivered by him as his free and voluntary act on this 3rd day of September, 2002.

(Notarial Seal)



Notary Public Nancy A. Zabrowski

My commission expires:
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Date 9-03-02

Bruce M. Boczkiewicz
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State of Wisconsin
County of Milwaukee

I hereby certify that Bruce M. Boczkiewicz before me personally appeared and acknowledged that the foregoing Assignment was duly signed, sealed and delivered by him as his free and voluntary act on this 3rd day of September, 2002.

Notary Public Henry A. Zebrowski

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