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## ASSIGNMENT

## Joint Inventorship

WHEREAS, R. Todd Swinderman, Gary D. Swearingen and Steven E. Brody hereinafter called the "Assignors", have invented a new and useful Conveyor Belt Skirt Assembly, for a full description of which reference is here made to application Serial No. 10/193,745, filed July 11, 2002, for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Martin Engineering Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Illinois, having a principal office and place of business at One Martin Place, Neponset, Illinois 61345-9766, hereinafter called the "Assignee", is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, the application above identified, and in, to and under Letters Patent which may be obtained for said invention, as hereinafter more fully set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of \$1.00, and other valuable and legally sufficient considerations, the receipt of which by the said Assignors from the said Assignee is hereby acknowledged, the said Assignors have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the said Assignee, the entire right, title and interest for the United States in and to the invention and application hereinabove identified, and any Letters Patent of the United States that may issue for said invention as well as all continuations, continuations-in-part, divisions and reissues thereof, and any Letters Patents therefor in all countries foreign to the United States; to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of the said Assignee, its successors and assigns to the full end of the term for which any and all of said Letters Patent for said invention may issue.

And the said Assignors do hereby covenant and agree, for themselves and their legal representatives, that they will assist their said Assignee in the prosecution of the application herein identified; in the making and prosecution of any other applications for Letters Patent that the said Assignee may elect to make covering the invention herein identified, as hereinbefore set forth, investing in the said Assignee like exclusive title in and to all such other applications and Letters Patent; and in the prosecution of any interference or reexamination which may arise involving said invention, or any application or Letters Patent herein contemplated; and that they will execute and deliver to the said Assignee any and all additional papers which may be requested by the said Assignee to fully carry out the terms of this assignment. The Commissioner of Patents and

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the said Assignors have hereunto set their hands on the date indicated below.

Dated: 8-30-02 Steven E. Brody
Steven E. Brody

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