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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, William Harry Lynn of Kohler, Wisconsin have made certain inventions which are described in Provisional Patent Application No. 60/326,860 filed on October 3, 2001, for Letters Patent of the United States entitled MOTOR START-UP UNLOADING IN AN OXYGEN CONCENTRATOR, and are described in a regular utility patent application of the same title which I signed on even date herewith, and

WHEREAS, THOMAS INDUSTRIES INC., a Delaware corporation having a place of business at Sheboygan, Wisconsin, (hereinafter called Company), is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in said inventions throughout the United States of America and the territories thereof and for all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, I hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto said Company, its successors and assigns, effective retroactively from the date of making said inventions, the entire right, title and interest throughout the United States of America and the territories thereof and for all foreign countries, in and to said inventions, the aforesaid application, and all other applications hereafter filed in the United States or any other country based in whole or in part on said inventions, and all Letters Patent granted upon said application by the United States or any other country, and I do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said Company. I further grant to said Company, its successors and assigns, the right to claim for any of said applications the full benefits and priority rights of any international agreement between the United States and any foreign country or countries.

I hereby warrant that I have the full right to make the conveyance herein, and I hereby covenant that I, my heirs, legal representatives and assigns, will, when requested, communicate to said Company, its representatives, successors and assigns, all facts known respecting said inventions, execute all applications including regular, divisional, continuing, reissue, reexamination and foreign applications together with individual assignments therefor, make all rightful oaths, sign all lawful papers, testify in any legal proceeding and generally do everything possible to aid said Company, its successors and assigns, in the obtaining of Letters Patent.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal on the date indicated below my signature.

WITNESSES:

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*[Handwritten signature]* (SEAL)  
William Harry Lynn

Date: 10/2/02  
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STATE OF WISCONSIN )  
 ) ss.  
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Before me on this 2nd day of October, 2002, came **William Harry Lynn** to me known to be the person named in the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged the execution thereof to be his free act and deed.

(SEAL)

*Demise L. Mikalowsky*  
Notary Public, State of Wisconsin

My Commission: expires February 8th, 2004