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COUPLING FOR A FLEXIBLE ROTATABLE DRIVE SHAFT

which was filed 8 August 2002, assigned serial number 10/214,964 and which each inventor has executed on the date indicated below next to each inventor's name.

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