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

1. Name of conveying party(ies):

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Timothy B. Pearson
Ronald W. Gurak
Jonathan Lopez

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

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Internal Address:

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Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, Russell M. Flaum, 426 Sarrington Drive, Lincolnshire, Illinois 60069, Timothy B. Pearson 26076 Spring Grove Road, Antioch, Illinois 60002, Ronald W. Gurak 7 Greenview Rd., Oakwood Hills, Illinois 60013, and Jonathan Lopez 218 Amber Lane, Vernon Hills, Illinois 60061, invented certain new and useful improvements in **STRAPPING MACHINE WITH MODULAR HEADS**, and have executed an application for United States Letters Patent, and

WHEREAS, **ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, having its principal place of business at 3600 West Lake Avenue, Glenview, Cook County, Illinois 60025, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention, said application, and in to and under all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries that may be granted therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to us in hand and paid by said **ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.** the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, We, said Russell M. Flaum, Timothy B. Pearson, Ronald W. Gurak, and Jonathan Lopez, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to and unto said **ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.**, its successors and assigns, for, within and throughout the United States and the territories thereof, and all foreign countries, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in, to and under said application, and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries that may be granted for said invention and improvements, including divisions, reissues, subdivisions, continuations and prolongations of such applications and Letters Patent, to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of said **ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.**, its successors

and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all of said Letters Patent for said invention may issue, and further, including the right to **ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.**, to file in its name applications for Letters Patent to said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States including the full right to claim for any such applications the priority benefits of the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and other priority conferring treaties, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof.

We do hereby covenant and agree, for ourselves, our heirs and our legal representatives, that We will assist said **ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.**, in the prosecution of the application herein identified; in the making and prosecution of any other applications for Letters Patent that said **ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.**, may elect to make covering the invention herein identified, as hereinbefore set forth; in vesting in said **ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.**, like exclusive title in and to all such other applications and Letters Patent; and in the prosecution of any interference which may arise involving said invention, or any application or Letters Patent herein contemplated; and that we will execute and deliver to said **ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.**, any and all additional papers that may be requested by said **ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.** to fully carry out the terms of this assignment.

And we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue all Letters Patent of the United States that may be granted pursuant to application aforesaid, or for said invention, to said **ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC.**, its successors and assigns in accordance with this assignment.

And we hereby covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith.

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