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Transmitted herewith is the assignment of a patent application of:

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For: **WHEEL**

Application Serial No.: **N/A**

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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, I, TATSUYA KATAOKA (hereafter, together with any successors, legal representatives or assigns thereof, called "Assignor"), invented certain new and useful improvements disclosed in an application for United States Letters Patent titled "WHEEL" executed on even date herewith.

AND WHEREAS, Valley Custom Tire, Inc., with its principal location at 11487 San Fernando Rd., San Fernando, California 91340 U.S.A (hereafter, together with any successors, legal representatives or assigns thereof, called "Assignee"), wants to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements and application:

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to said improvements, and said application and all divisions, substitutions, continuations and continuations-in-part thereof, and all United States Letters Patents (and all other patents) which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all priority rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property for every member country, and all applications for patents (including related rights such as utility-model registrations, inventor's certificates, and the like) heretofore or hereafter filed for said improvements in any foreign countries, and all patents (including all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof) granted for said improvements in any foreign countries; and Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the United States Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, and any officials of foreign countries whose duty is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all patents for said improvements to Assignee in accordance with the terms of this assignment;

AND ASSIGNOR HEREBY covenants that Assignor has full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that Assignor has not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith;

AND ASSIGNOR HEREBY further covenants and agrees that Assignor will communicate to Assignee any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, continuations-in-part, substitute and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid Assignee to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I ASSIGNOR hereunto set our hands this 22 day of January 2003.

Assignor: TATSUYA KATAOKA

Signature: 

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ ) ss.

On \_\_\_\_\_, 2003, before the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared TATSUYA KATAOKA, known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the above assignment, and acknowledged that he/she executed the same.

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(Notary Public)