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**PATENT APPLICATION ASSIGNMENT**

Docket No. V2002008

WHEREAS, I, **Angus Niall Colyer**, a citizen of the United Kingdom, residing at Moulin du Roc, Saint Julia de Bec, 11500 Quillan, Aude, France, have invented new and useful improvements in

**SUBSEA DEPLOYABLE DRUM FOR LAYING LINES**

for which application is being made for Letters Patent, said application being executed by me on the date of 2/27, 2003, and further being identified by Attorney's Docket V2002008.

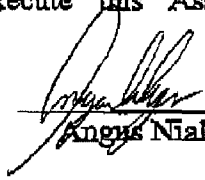
WHEREAS, ABB OFFSHORE SYSTEMS, INC., a corporation organized by the laws of the State of Texas, and having a principal address of 3010 BriarPark, Houston, Texas 77042, is desirous of acquiring my entire right, title and interest in said application and my Letters Patent which may issue thereon.

NOW THEREFORE, be it known by all whom it may concern that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I hereby assign to said corporation, both in and for the territory of the United States of America and the entire world, all my title and interest in and to said invention, patent application and any patent which may issue thereon, including all divisions, continuations, reissues, continuations-in-part and substitutions thereof, plus all priority rights for patent applications foreign to the United States of America.

I further hereby assign and transfer to said corporation whatever cause of action I may have for past or present infringement of said invention, together with the right to bring suit for any such infringement and to seek and receive damages and other relief arising from any such infringement.

I HEREBY covenant and agree that I will at any time, upon the request and at the expense of said corporation, execute and deliver any and all papers and do all lawful acts that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title and said invention, applications and patents, and I authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue Letters Patent to said corporation.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I execute this Assignment on the 27 day of February, 2003.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Angus Niall Colyer

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Before me personally appeared the above-identified individual and acknowledged the foregoing assignment to be his voluntary act and deed on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

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