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FORM PTO-1595 (Modified) RE(U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE 03-25-2003 (Rev. 03-01) Patent and Trademark Office OMB No. 0651-0027 (exp.5/31/2002) 3-7-03 P08A/REV03 Tab settings → → → 102399639 _____ied original documents or copy thereof. To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents a Name of conveying party(ies): 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies): Bradley M. Wilkinson Name: Becton, Dickinson and Company Address: 1 Becton Drive ☐ Yes 🏻 No Additional names(s) of conveying party(ies) 3. Nature of conveyance: ■ Assignment Merger City: Franklin Lakes State/Prov.: NJ ☐ Security Agreement ☐ Change of Name Country: USA ZIP: 07417-1880 ☐ Other Execution Date: March 8, 2002 Additional name(s) & address(es) ☐ Yes ⊠ No Application number(s) or patent numbers(s): If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: February 23, 2003 Patent Application No. Filing date B. Patent No.(s) 10,384896 ☐ Yes 🏻 No Additional numbers 5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence 6. Total number of applications and patents involved: concerning document should be mailed: Name: Gerald E. Hespos 7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41):.....\$ 40.00 Registration No. 30,066 Enclosed - Any excess or insufficiency should be credited or debited to deposit account Address: 274 Madison Avenue - Suite 1703 Authorized to be charged to deposit account 8. Deposit account number: City: New York State/Prov.: NY 03-1030 ZIP: 10016 Country: USA (Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account) DO NOT USE THIS SPACE ment and signature. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document. Gerald E. Hespos March 7, 2003 Name of Person Signing Signature Date Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and

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ASSIGNMENT

Serial No.: Filed:

WHEREAS, Bradley M. Wilkinson, residing at 39 Hillside Drive, North Haledon, New Jersey 07508, a citizen of the United States of America, (hereinafter called "Assignor"), has made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to:

RETRACTABLE SAFETY NEEDLE

for which they have executed a Declaration for an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY, a corporation of New Jersey, (hereinafter called "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for and in consideration of the premises and in acknowledgement, confirmation and performance of obligations which arose out of the terms and conditions of the Assignors' employment by Assignee at the time the invention was made, and other valuable considerations to them, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignors have assigned, and transferred, and to hereby assign, and transfer unto said Assignee the entire right, title, and interest in and to all said inventions and discoveries disclosed in said application, whose identification above by serial number and filing date, when available, is hereby authorized, and in and to said application, all substitutions, divisions and continuations or continuations-in-part, thereof, and in and to all Letters Patents, United States and foreign, that may be granted for said inventions and discoveries, and in and to all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors if this Assignment and sale had not been made; and

Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Agreement; and

PATENT REEL: 013871 FRAME: 0339 For the consideration aforesaid, Assignors covenant and agree with said Assignee that they have a full and unencumbered title to the inventions and discoveries above described and hereby assigned, which title they warrant unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns; and

For the consideration aforesaid, Assignors further covenant and agree that they will, whenever requested, but without cost to them promptly communicate to said Assignee or its representatives any facts known to them relating to said inventions and discoveries, testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said inventions and discoveries, and execute any additional papers that may be necessary to enable said Assignee or its representatives, successors, nominees, or assigns to secure full and complete protection of the inventions and discoveries or that may be necessary to vest in Assignee the complete title to the inventions and discoveries and patents hereby conveyed and to enable it to record title.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have hereunto set their hands and seals on the dates subscribed below.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY) COUNTY OF BERGEN)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this S. day of day., 2002, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Bradley M. Wilkinson, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, I and having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

RECORDED: 03/07/2003

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