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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):

Holland USA, Inc.

3-25-03

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

Name: Thomas A. McKenzie

Internal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

## 3. Nature of conveyance:



Assignment



Merger



Security Agreement



Change of Name



Other \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: 18564 Zuni DriveCity: Spring Lake State: MI Zip: 49456Execution Date: February 25, 2003Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☒ Yes ☐ No

## 4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: \_\_\_\_\_

A. Patent Application No.(s)

B. Patent No.(s)

6,220,587

Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

## 5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: Brian E. Ainsworth

Internal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: 695 Kenmoor SEPost Office Box 2567City: Grand Rapids State: MI Zip: 495016. Total number of applications and patents involved: 17. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ 40.00☒ Enclosed☒ Authorized to be charged to deposit account

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## 9. Statement 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.

Brian E. Ainsworth

Name of Person Signing

Signature

3-20-03

Date

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## ATTACHMENT FOR RECORDATION FORM COVER SHEET

**PATENTS ONLY (Form PTO-1595)**

## 1. Name of conveying party(ies):

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Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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

Name: Richard L. Conaway

Internal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: 12887 Buchanan StreetCity: Grand Haven State: MI ZIP: 49417

Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Internal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional name(s) &amp; address(es) attached?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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B. Patent No.(s)

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Additional numbers attached?

☐ Yes ☒ No

## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Holland USA, Inc., a corporation of the State of Michigan having a place of business at 467 Ottawa Avenue, Holland, Michigan 49423 (hereinafter referred to as Assignor), has the entire right, title and interest in and to United States Patent No. 6,220,587 and in and to any related Letters Patent that may be granted therefor in any and all foreign countries.


WHEREAS, Holland USA, Inc. is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in United States Patent No. 6,220,587, and in any related Letters Patent that may be granted therefor in any and all foreign countries, by virtue of the assignment from Thomas A. McKenzie and Richard L. Conaway to Neway Anchorlok International, Inc., as recorded at Reel 9559, frame 0869, and from Neway Anchorlok International, Inc. to B&S Holding Corporation, as recorded at Reel 010389, frame 0629. The ownership of United States Patent No. 6,220,587 was transferred from B&S Holding Corporation to Holland Neway International, Inc. via a merger therebetween on October 26, 1999, as evidenced by Attachment A, from Holland Neway International, Inc. to Holland Hitch Company via a name change on January 1, 2002, as evidenced by Attachment B, and from Holland Hitch Company to Holland USA, Inc. via a name change on January 2, 2002, as evidenced by Attachment C.

WHEREAS, Thomas A. McKenzie and Richard L. Conaway, residing, respectively, at 18564 Zuni Drive, Spring Lake, Michigan 49456 and 12887 Buchanan Street, Grand Haven, Michigan 49417 (hereinafter referred to as Assignees), are desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to United States Patent No. 6,220,587 and in and to the related Mexican and Canadian patent applications.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable considerations, Assignor hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto said Assignees the full and exclusive right, title and interest to United States Patent No. 6,220,587 and the related Mexican and Canadian patent applications.

Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Patent Office Officials in Mexico and Canada to issue any and all of said Letters Patent, when granted, to said Assignees as the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and behoof of said Assignees, its successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on the date appearing next to my signature.

 2/25/03

Witness



2-25-2003

By: Samuel A. Martin

Date

Title: Executive Vice President

DARLENE BRIGHT  
Notary Public, Allegan County, MI  
My Commission Expires Feb. 23, 2006



**STATE OF DELAWARE  
CERTIFICATE OF MERGER OF  
DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN CORPORATIONS**

Pursuant to Title 8, Section 252 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, the undersigned corporations executed the following Certificate of Merger:

FIRST: The name of the surviving corporation is Holland Neway International, Inc., a Michigan corporation, and the name of the corporation being merged into this surviving corporation is B & S Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation.

SECOND: The Agreement of Merger between such corporations has been approved, adopted, certified, executed and acknowledged as required by each of the constituent corporations.

THIRD: The name of the surviving corporation is Holland Neway International, Inc., a Michigan corporation.

FOURTH: The Articles of Incorporation of the surviving corporation shall be its Articles of Incorporation.

FIFTH: The merger is to become effective on October 28, 1999, or as soon thereafter as the Certificate of Merger is filed by the State of Michigan.

SIXTH: The Agreement of Merger is on file at 469 Ottawa Avenue, Holland, MI 49422, the place of business of the surviving corporation.

SEVENTH: A copy of the Agreement of Merger will be furnished by the surviving corporation on request without cost, to any stockholder of the constituent corporations.

EIGHTH: The surviving corporation agrees that it may be served with process in the State of Delaware in any proceeding for enforcement of any obligation of the constituent corporations, as well as for enforcement of any obligation of the constituent corporations arising from the merger, including any suit or other proceeding to enforce the right of any stockholders as determined in appraisal proceedings pursuant to Section 262 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, and hereby irrevocably appoints the Secretary of State of Delaware as its agent to accept service of process in any such suit or any such proceeding and hereby designates the following address as that to which a copy of such process shall be mailed by the Secretary of State of Delaware: Holland Neway International, Inc., 469 Ottawa Avenue, Holland, MI 49422.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said surviving corporation has caused this Certificate to be signed by an authorized officer, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of October, A.D., 19 99.

HOLLAND NEWAY INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: Richard W. Muzzy  
Authorized Officer

Name: Richard W. Muzzy  
Title: Chairman

Attached  
A

**B & S HOLDING CORPORATION**

Shareholder Consent Resolutions  
Approving Agreement and Plan of Merger

The undersigned, being the sole shareholder of B & S Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Corporation"), takes the following actions pursuant to the provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law.

Approval of the Agreement and Plan of Merger

RESOLVED, that the Shareholder hereby approves of the Agreement and Plan of Merger by and between the Corporation and Holland Neway International, Inc., a Michigan corporation ("Holland"), (the "Plan of Merger") providing for the merger of this Corporation with and into Holland with such changes therein as may be approved by the officer(s) of this Corporation executing the same.

Ratification and Authorization

RESOLVED, that the Shareholder ratifies and approves of all actions taken or to be taken by the directors, officers, and agents of this Corporation pursuant to the provisions of the Plan of Merger, including all actions deemed necessary or appropriate to adopt the Plan of Merger and to document and effectuate the intent of these resolutions and the Plan of Merger, including any changes thereto as the signing officer(s) may approve.

Effective as of  
October 26, 1999

THE HOLLAND GROUP, INC.

By: Richard W. Muzzy  
Richard W. Muzzy  
Its President

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**B & S HOLDING CORPORATION**

Director Consent Resolutions  
Adopting Agreement and Plan of Merger

The undersigned, being all of the directors of B & S Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Corporation"), takes the following actions pursuant to the provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law ("General Corporation Law").

Adoption of the Agreement and Plan of Merger

RESOLVED, that the Board of the Corporation hereby approves of and adopts the Agreement and Plan of Merger by and between this Corporation and Holland Neway International, Inc., a Michigan corporation ("Holland"), (the "Plan of Merger") under which this Corporation is to be merged with and into Holland, with such changes therein as may be approved by the officer(s) of this Corporation executing the same.

Recommendation of the Plan of Merger

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby recommends the Plan of Merger and the transactions contemplated thereby to the shareholders of this Corporation and the proper officers are authorized and directed to submit the Plan of Merger to the shareholders for approval and authorization in accordance with the General Corporation Law.

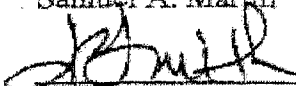
Officer Authorization

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers of this Corporation are hereby authorized to execute and deliver all necessary documents and take such action as is deemed necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of these resolutions and the Plan of Merger.

Effective as of  
October 26, 1999

  
Richard W. Muzzy

  
Samuel A. Martin

  
Jack P. Smith

HOLLAND NEWAY INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Shareholder Consent Resolutions  
Approving Agreement and Plan of Merger

The undersigned, being the sole shareholder of Holland Neway International, Inc., a Michigan corporation (the "Corporation"), takes the following actions pursuant to the provisions of the Michigan Business Corporation Act.

Approval of the Agreement and Plan of Merger

RESOLVED, that the Shareholder hereby approves of the Agreement and Plan of Merger by and between the Corporation and B & S Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("B & S") (the "Plan of Merger") providing for the merger of B & S with and into this Corporation, with such changes therein as may be approved by the officer(s) of this Corporation executing the same.

Ratification and Authorization

RESOLVED, that the Shareholder ratifies and approves of all actions taken or to be taken by the directors, officers, and agents of this Corporation pursuant to the provisions of the Plan of Merger, including all actions deemed necessary or appropriate to adopt the Plan of Merger and to document and effectuate the intent of these resolutions and the Plan of Merger, including any changes thereto as the signing officer(s) may approve.

Effective as of  
October 26, 1999

THE HOLLAND GROUP, INC.

By: Richard W. Muzzy  
Richard W. Muzzy  
Its President

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HOLLAND NEWAY INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Director Consent Resolutions  
Adopting Agreement and Plan of Merger

The undersigned, being all of the directors of Holland Neway International, Inc., a Michigan corporation (the "Corporation"), takes the following actions pursuant to the provisions of the Michigan Business Corporation Act ("MBCA").

Adoption of the Agreement and Plan of Merger

RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves of and adopts the Agreement and Plan of Merger by and between this Corporation and B & S Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("B & S") (the "Plan of Merger") under which B & S is to be merged with and into this Corporation, with such changes therein as may be approved by the officer(s) of this Corporation executing the same.

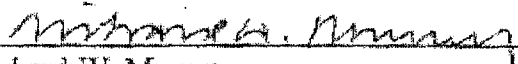
Recommendation of the Plan of Merger

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby recommends the Plan of Merger and the transactions contemplated thereby to the shareholders of this Corporation and the proper officers are authorized and directed to submit the Plan of Merger to the shareholders for approval and authorization in accordance with the MBCA.


Officer Authorization

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the officers of this Corporation are hereby authorized to execute and deliver all necessary documents and take such action as is deemed necessary or appropriate to carry out the intent of these resolutions and the Plan of Merger.

Effective as of  
October 26, 1999

  
Richard W. Muzzy

  
Samuel A. Martin

  
Jack P. Smith

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# Michigan Department of Consumer and Industry Services

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HOLLAND HITCH COMPANY

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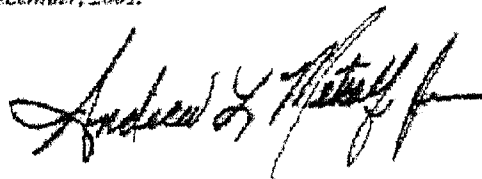
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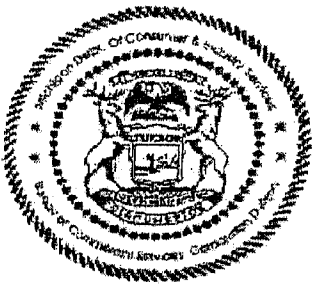
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In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Department, in the City of Lansing, this 16th day of December, 2001.



, Director

Bureau of Commercial Services



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Attachment B

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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER & INDUSTRY SERVICES  
BUREAU OF COMMERCIAL SERVICES**

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**CERTIFICATE OF MERGER**

**Cross Entity Merger for use by Profit Corporations, Limited Liability Companies  
and Limited Partnerships**

*Pursuant to the provisions of Act 284, Public Acts of 1972 (profit corporations), Act 23, Public Acts of 1993 (limited liability companies) and Act 213, Public Acts of 1982 (limited partnerships), the undersigned entities execute the following Certificate of Merger:*

1. The Plan of Merger (Consolidation) is as follows:

a. The name of each constituent entity and its identification number is:

Holland Neway International, Inc.

233-47A

Holland Hitch Company

032-903

b. The name of the surviving (new) entity and its identification number is:

Holland Hitch Company

032-903

Corporations and Limited Liability Companies provide the street address of the survivor's principal place of business:

467 Ottawa Avenue, Holland, Michigan 49423

2. (Complete only if an effective date is desired other than the date of filing. The date must be no more than 90 days after the receipt of this document in this office.)

The merger (consolidation) shall be effective on the 1st day of January, 2002.

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## 3. Complete for Profit Corporations Only

For each constituent stock corporation, state:

Name of corporation	Designation and number of outstanding shares in each class or series	Indicate class or series of shares entitled to vote	Indicate class or series entitled to vote as a class
Holland Newway International, Inc.	1,000 shares common	Common	N/A
Holland Hitch Company	29,832 shares common	Common	N/A

If the number of shares is subject to change prior to the effective date of the merger or consolidation, the manner in which the change may occur is as follows:

The manner and basis of converting shares are as follows: Each share of Holland Newway International, Inc. common stock issued and outstanding shall be canceled and each share of Holland Hitch Company common stock issued and outstanding shall be converted into and become one share of common stock of the surviving corporation.

The amendments to the Articles, or a restatement of the Articles, of the surviving corporation to be effected by the merger are as follows:

The Plan of Merger will be furnished by the surviving profit corporation, on request and without cost, to any shareholder of any constituent profit corporation.

The merger is permitted by the state or country under whose law it is incorporated and each foreign corporation has complied with that law in effecting the merger.

(Complete either Section (a) or (b) for each corporation)

- a. The Plan of Merger was approved by the majority consent of the incorporators of \_\_\_\_\_, a Michigan corporation which has not commenced business, has not issued any shares, and has not elected a Board of Directors.

(Signature of Incorporator)

(Type or Print)

(Signature of Incorporator)

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(Type or Print)

(Signature of Incorporator)

(Type or Print)

- b. The plan of merger was approved by:

☐ the Board of Directors of \_\_\_\_\_, the surviving Michigan corporation, without approval of the shareholders in accordance with Section 703a of the Act.☒ the Board of Directors and the shareholders of the following Michigan corporation(s) in accordance with Section 703a of the Act.

Holland Newway International, Inc.

Holland Hitch Company

By

  
(Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent)Timothy T. Hemingway  
(Type or Print Name)Holland Newway International, Inc.  
(Name of Corporation)

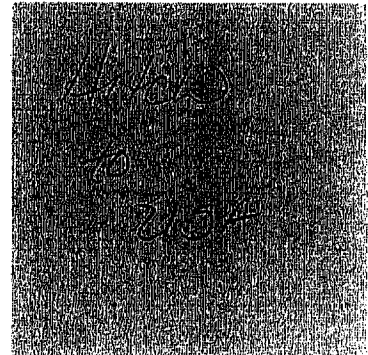
By

  
(Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent)Timothy T. Hemingway  
(Type or Print Name)Holland Hitch Company  
(Name of Corporation)

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# Michigan Department of Consumer and Industry Services

## Filing Endorsement



*This is to Certify that the CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT - CORPORATION*

*for*

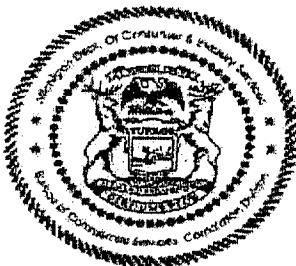
*HOLLAND USA, INC.*

*ID NUMBER: 012903*

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*In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Department, in the City of Lansing, this 2nd day of January, 2002.*

*, Director*

*Bureau of Commercial Services*

*Attach C*

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MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER & INDUSTRY SERVICES BUREAU OF COMMERCIAL SERVICES		
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### CERTIFICATE OF AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

For use by Domestic Profit and Nonprofit Corporations  
(Please read information and instructions on the last page)

Pursuant to the provisions of Act 284, Public Acts of 1972 (profit corporations), or Act 152, Public Acts of 1982 (nonprofit corporations), the undersigned corporation executes the following Certificate:

1. The present name of the corporation is: Holland Hitch Company

2. The identification number assigned by the Bureau is: 032-903

3. Article 1 of the Articles of Incorporation is hereby amended to read as follows:

The name of the corporation is: Holland USA, Inc.

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**COMPLETE ONLY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:**

**4. (For amendments adopted by unanimous consent of incorporators before the first meeting of the board of directors or trustees.)**

The foregoing amendment to the Articles of Incorporation was duly adopted on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in accordance with the provisions of the Act by the unanimous consent of the incorporator(s) before the first meeting of the Board of Directors or Trustees.

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,

(Signature)

(Signature)

(Type or Print Name)

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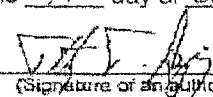
**5. (For profit and nonprofit corporations whose Articles state the corporation is organized on a stock or on a membership basis.)**

The foregoing amendment to the Articles of Incorporation was duly adopted on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2001, by the shareholders if a profit corporation, or by the shareholders or members if a nonprofit corporation (check one of the following)

- ☐ at a meeting the necessary votes were cast in favor of the amendment.
- ☐ by written consent of the shareholders or members having not less than the minimum number of votes required by statute in accordance with Section 407(1) and (2) of the Act if a nonprofit corporation, or Section 407(1) of the Act if a profit corporation. Written notice to shareholders or members who have not consented in writing has been given. (Note: Written consent by less than all of the shareholders or members is permitted only if such provision appears in the Articles of Incorporation.)
- ☒ by written consent of all the shareholders or members entitled to vote in accordance with section 407(3) of the Act if a nonprofit corporation, or Section 407(2) of the Act if a profit corporation.
- ☐ by the board of a profit corporation pursuant to section 611(2).

**Profit Corporations**

Signed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2001

By X   
(Signature of an authorized officer or agent)

Timothy T. Hemingway  
(Type or Print Name)

**Nonprofit and Professional Service Corporations**

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,

By \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of President, Vice-President, Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson)

(Type or Print Name)

(Type or Print Title)

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