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In consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby assign to:

Allied Tube & Conduit Corporation, a corporation of the State of Illinois

its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in the invention or improvements of the undersigned disclosed in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, entitled:

Conduit Coupling Assembly

and identified as:

Case No. 11633.00036

in the offices of Banner & Witcoff, Ltd. and in said application and any and all other applications, both United States and foreign, which the undersigned may file, either solely or jointly with others, on said invention or improvements, and in any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries, which may be obtained on any of said applications, and in any reissue or extension of such patents, and further assigns to said assignee the priority right provided by the International Convention.

The undersigned hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to said assignee.

The undersigned hereby authorize and request the attorneys of record in said application to insert in this assignment the filing date and serial number of said application when officially known, and the date of execution of the application.

The undersigned warrant themselves to be the owners of the entire right, title and interest in said invention or improvements and to have the right to make this assignment, and further warrant that there are no outstanding prior assignments, licenses, or other encumbrances on the interest herein assigned.

For said considerations the undersigned hereby agree, upon the request and at the expense of said assignee, its successors and assigns, to execute any and all divisional, continuation and substitute applications for said invention or improvements, and any necessary oath, affidavit or declaration relating thereto, and any application for the reissue or extension of any Letters Patent that may be granted upon said application and any and all applications and other documents for Letters Patent in foreign countries on said invention or improvements, that said assignee, its successors or assigns may deem necessary or expedient, and for the said considerations the undersigned authorize said assignee to apply for patents for said invention or improvements in its own name in such countries where such procedure is proper and further agree, upon the request of said assignees, its successors and assigns, to cooperate to the best of the ability of the undersigned with said assignee, its successors and assigns, in any proceedings or transactions involving such

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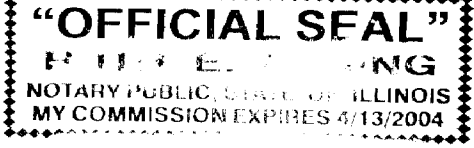
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3-17, 2003
Date

Giulio Scartozzi
Giulio Scartozzi

State of IL)
County of USA) ss:

This 17th day of MARCH 2003, before me personally came the above-named, Giulio Scartozzi, to me personally know as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes herein set forth.



Ruth E. Enring
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 4/13/04

_____, 2003
Date

Edward Mild

State of _____)
County of _____) ss:

This _____ day of _____ 2003, before me personally came the above-named, Edward Mild, to me personally know as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes herein set forth.

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