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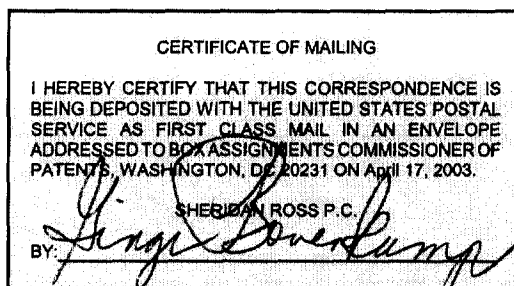
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In Re the Application of:)
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 NGUYEN ET AL.)
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 Serial No.: 10/340,535)
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 Filed: January 10, 2003)
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 Atty. File No.: 1604-419-CIP)
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 For: "*Metallic Beverage Can End With*)
Improved Chuck Wall and)
Countersink")

Group Art Unit: 3727

Examiner:

RECORDATION OF ASSIGNMENT



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Dear Sir:

Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof:

1. Name of conveying party(ies):

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

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3. Nature of Conveyance: Assignment - - Execution Date: March 28 & April 1, 2003

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

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- B. Patent No.(s): None.

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PATENT SECTION

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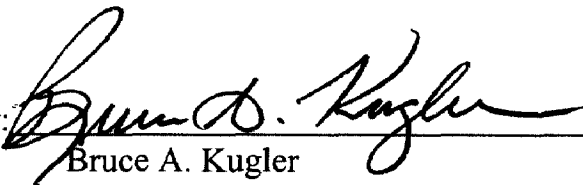
9. Statement and signature.

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.

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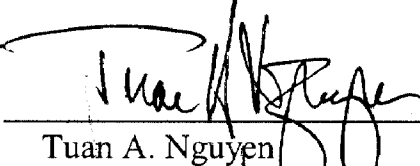
WHEREAS, we, Tuan A. Nguyen of 24157 Deer Valley Road, Golden, Colorado 80401, Jess N. Bathurst of 1721 Globe Court, Fort Collins, Colorado 80528, James A. Reed of 1343 Oak Borough Drive, Ballwin, MO 63021 and Christopher G. Neiner of 3931 Indian Ridge Lane, Defiance, MO 63441, have invented a certain new and useful invention entitled "***Metallic Beverage Can End With Improved Chuck Wall and Countersink***", for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States has been prepared and filed on January 10, 2003, receiving Serial No. 10/340,535, and further identified as Attorney File No. 1604-419-CIP;

NOW THEREFORE, be it known that we, Tuan A. Nguyen and Jess N. Bathurst, two of the said inventors, for and in consideration of certain good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency and receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, at the request of the assignee do sell, assign and transfer unto said assignee, Ball Corporation, an Indiana corporation having a place of business at 10 Longs Peak Drive, Broomfield, CO 80021-2510, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the aforesaid application for the territory of the United States of America and all continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part and reissue applications, all patent applications in foreign countries, all applications pursuant to the Patent Cooperation Treaty, and all applications for extension filed or to be filed for the invention, and all Letters Patent, Invention Registrations, Utility Models, Extensions or Reissues and other patent rights, obtained for the invention in the United States or any other country; we also assign any right, title or interest in and to the invention which has not already been transferred to the assignee; we warrant that we have made no assignment of the invention, application or patent therefor to a party other than Ball Corporation and we are under no obligation to make any assignment of the invention, application, or patent therefor to any other party; and we further agree to cooperate with the assignee hereunder in the obtaining and sustaining of any and all such Letters Patent and in confirming assignee's exclusive ownership of the invention, but at the expense of said assignee.

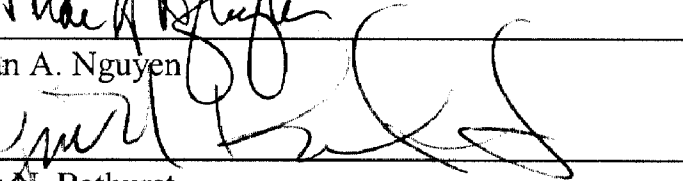
The Commissioner of Patents is hereby authorized and requested to issue the Letters Patent solely in accordance with the terms of this Assignment, to Ball Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Assignment as of the date indicated hereunder.

Date: March 28, 2003

By: 
Tuan A. Nguyen

Date: April 01, 2003

By: 
Jess N. Bathurst

STATE OF Colorado)
) ss.
COUNTY OF Jefferson)

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Tuan A. Nguyen, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and considerations therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 28 day of March, 2003.

James L. Blackwell
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 2/16/2007

STATE OF)
) ss.
COUNTY OF)

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Jess N. Bathurst, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and considerations therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 1 day of April, 2003.

James L. Blackwell
Notary Public

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