Į 1	5-16-2003 ————
FORM PTO-1595	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMER Patent and Trademark O
To the honorable Commissioner of Pa	02449888 ginal documents or copy thereof.
1. Name of conveying party(ies): Dr. Peter Pirro  5.9	2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):  Name: Deere & Company  Internal Address: Patent Department One John Deere Place Moline, IL 61265
Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?	Yes X No  Street Address: One John Deere Place City: Moline State: Illinois Zip: 61265
Nature of Conveyance:	Additional name(s) & address(es) attached Yes X_ No
X Assignment Merger Security Agreement Change of Na Other Execution Date: 28 April 2003  Application number(s) or patent number(s):	
this document is being filed together with a new applic	ation, the execution date of the application is:
A Patent Application No(s).	B. Patent No(s).
Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:  Jimmie R. Oaks Patent Department One John Deere Place Moline, IL 61265 Patent Department One John Deere Place	3. Total number of applications and paterns involved.
orgenities officered the states that the states of the sta	7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) \$40.00  Enclosed  X Authorized to be charged to deposit account
	8. Deposit account number: 04-0525
	DO NOT USE THIS SPACE

05/16/2003 01 FC:8021

> PATENT REEL: 014061 FRAME: 0879

## **ASSIGNMENT**

The below named inventor(s) has (have) invented certain new and useful improvements in

## DEVICE FOR ADJUSTING THE CUTTING LENGTH OF A CHOPPING DEVICE

for which the inventor(s) is (are) about to make application for letters patent of the United States, which application was duly executed on the date(s) indicated below next to each inventor's name;

The inventor is employed by a German subsidiary of DEERE & COMPANY under the terms of German law. Based on the German law on employee inventions, DEERE & COMPANY laid claim on the invention and became the owner of any rights in it.

In recognition of and confirming the foregoing each inventor has and hereby does assign to Deere & Company the entire right, title and interest which said inventor has or may have to the Invention.

The assigned rights include all rights to file US and foreign patent applications for the Invention described in the name of each inventor or Deere & Company, as well as any right of priority to any letters patent of the United States or any other country that may be granted for the Invention, and any continuations, divisions or extensions thereof. These assigned rights are to be held and enjoyed by Deere & Company, its successors or assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by each inventor had this assignment not been made.

Each inventor agrees to execute all papers which Deere & Company, its successors or assigns deem expedient in connection with the Application and any continuing, divisional, reissue, reexamination or foreign applications concerning the Invention, and to cooperate with Deere & Company, its successors or assigns in every proper way possible to obtain patent(s) based on the Application and any continuing, divisional, reissue, reexamination or foreign applications concerning the Invention.

Each inventor hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any letters patent based on the assigned rights to Deere & Company.

In witness whereof, each inventor has signed below:

RECORDED: 05/09/2003

Dr. Peter Pirto

Witness

Witness

Date signed application declaration

28.04.2003

Date \_ 28.04. 2003

Date 28.04.2003

PATENT REEL: 014061 FRAME: 0880