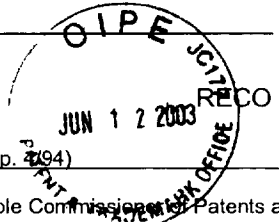


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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, Thorsten Ackmann of Hagenstraße 3, 31749 Auetal, Germany and Dietmar Thaler of Neue Strasse 6, 31691 Seggebruch, Germany, have invented certain improvements in DRIVE UNIT FOR ESCALATORS OR MOVING SIDEWALKS described in U.S. Patent Application No. 10/311,703, having a filing date of December 17, 2002, identified as Attorney Docket No. OT-4367, being owner(s) of all right, title and interest in and to said application and in and to any invention described therein, free from all prior assignments, agreements, licenses, mortgages, or other encumbrances whatsoever, and having full right to convey the entire interest both legal and equitable herein assigned; and

WHEREAS, OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY, of Farmington, Connecticut, a corporation of the State of New Jersey (assignee) is desirous of acquiring the entire worldwide right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions and any and all Patents, utility models, design patents or other industrial property rights to be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by the undersigned, the undersigned do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions, as described in the aforesaid patent application, in any form or embodiment thereof, and in and to the aforesaid application; and in and to any application filed in any country based thereon, including the right to file said applications under the provisions of the International Convention; also the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents or reissues or extensions thereof to be obtained in any country upon said invention or inventions and any divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part or substitute applications which may be filed upon said invention or inventions in any country; and the undersigned hereby authorize(s) and request(s) the issuing authority to issue any and all patents on said application or applications to said assignee or its successors and assigns.

The undersigned further agree(s), without any further payment or compensation by said assignee or its successors and assigns, to communicate to said assignee, its representatives or agents or its successors and assigns, any facts relating to said invention or inventions including evidence for interference purposes or for other legal proceedings whenever requested; testify in any interference or other legal proceedings, whenever requested; execute and deliver, on request, all lawful papers required to make any of the foregoing provisions effective; and generally do everything possible to aid said assignee, its successors or assigns and nominees to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said invention or inventions in any country.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned has(have) hereunto set his(their) hand(s) and seal(s) on the date after his(their) signature(s).

(L.S.) Thorsten Ackmann
Thorsten Ackmann

14. May 2003
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(L.S.) Dietmar Thaler
Dietmar Thaler

19. May 2003
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