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ATTACHMENT A

U.S. Patent No. 6,468,616 for "JOINT APPARATUS AND METHOD" issued October 22, 2002.

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/114,396 for "JOINT APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND CLAMPING DEVICE FOR SECURING JOINT", filed April 1, 2002.

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