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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, **MARTYN HURN**, of 17 Gillinggate, Kendal, Cumbria LA9 4JB, England hereinafter referred to as "Assignor", is the inventor of the invention described and set forth in the below identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of the Invention: A BUCKLE

Date(s) of execution: 15 September, 2003

Filing date: September 26, 2003

Serial No.: (filed with new application)

WHEREAS, **LOWE ALPINE HOLDINGS LIMITED**, of Ann Street, Kendal, Cumbria LA9 6AA, England, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring ASSIGNOR'S interest in the said Invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent which may be granted on the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignor, Assignor has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto the said Assignee, and Assignee's successors and assigns, all his right title and interest in and to the said invention and application and all future improvements thereon, and in and to any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States, the said interest to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by said Assignor had this Assignment and transfer not been made, to the full end and term of any Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, or of any division, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or extension thereof.

Assignor further agrees that he will, without charge to said Assignee, but at Assignee's expense, cooperate with Assignee in the prosecution of said application and/or applications, execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for Letters Patent and for the reissue thereof, and instruments of assignment and transfer thereof, and will perform such other acts as Assignee lawfully may request, to obtain or maintain Letters Patent for said invention and improvement, and to vest title thereto in said Assignee, or Assignee's successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has his name on the date indicated.

Date: 15 September 2003



MARTYN HURN

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NOW THIS ASSIGNMENT WITNESSETH

1. The Inventor as Trustee hereby assigns to the Assignees absolutely the Invention, any improvements in or modifications thereof, and any know-how relating thereto together with all rights and interest in the same and all rights and powers to make application for patent in the name of the Assignees, or in the name of its nominee in any country of the world in respect of the Invention or improvements in or modifications thereof, together with all rights and benefits arising therefrom under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or the Treaty Establishing the World Trade Organisation.

2. The Inventor as Trustees hereby assigns to the Assignee all his rights and interests in the designs, the copyright in the designs and all rights and powers to make application for design registrations for the designs in any country of the world, including a European Community Design Application.

3. The Inventor hereby covenants with the Assignees as follows:

- (i) that he will (so far as necessary) permit and enable the Assignees to apply for and will take all reasonable steps to assist the Assignees or its nominee in obtaining the grant of patent or like protection in respect of the Invention and designs hereinbefore assigned in any territory as may be required by the Assignees
- (ii) that he will at the request and cost of the Assignees execute and do all such documents, acts and things as may be necessary for the purpose of sub-paragraph (i) hereof and for vesting any relevant invention, application for patent, patent, know-how, copyright or design in the Assignees or its nominee absolutely.

ASSIGNMENT

THIS ASSIGNMENT dated the 15 day of September, 2003

BETWEEN

MARTYN HURN, a citizen of the United Kingdom, of 17 Gillinggate, Kendal, Cumbria LA9 4JB, England, (hereinafter called "the Inventor") of the one part,

LOWE ALPINE HOLDINGS LIMITED, an British Company, of Ann Street, Kendal, Cumbria LA9 6AA, England, (hereinafter called "the Assignees") of the other part,

WHEREAS the Inventor claims to be the true and first inventor of an invention relating to a "A BUCKLE" (hereinafter referred to as the "Invention") and for which a Patent Application is about to be filed

WHEREAS the Inventor is the author and designer of the buckle designs referred to as "Load Locker" and "Web Catcher", respectively (hereinafter referred to as "the designs")

AND WHEREAS the Invention and the designs were made by him out of and in the course of his employment with the Assignees

AND WHEREAS the Inventor holds the Invention and all patent, copyright, design rights and other rights and powers obtainable and exercisable in respect thereof in trust for the Assignees

AND WHEREAS the Inventor has agreed to assign to the Assignees all his right title and interest in and to the said Invention and Patent Application and in and to the designs

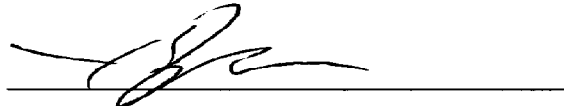
4. The Inventor hereby irrevocably appoints the Assignees as his Attorney in his name to execute and do any document act or thing which may be necessary to comply with the provisions of Clause 3 hereof.

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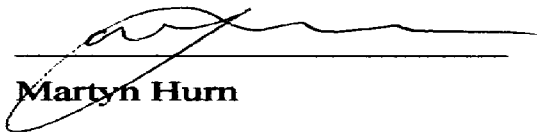
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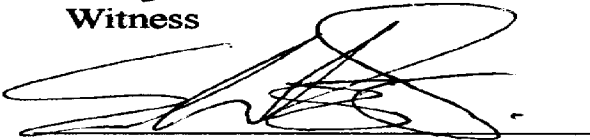
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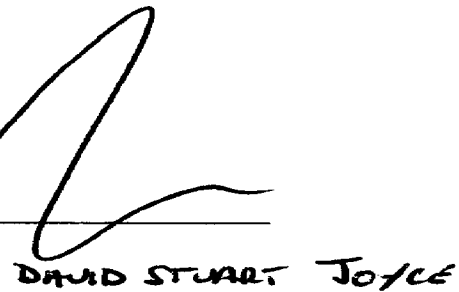
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