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AIR-ASSISTED, TOPPER/SHREDDER FOR SUGAR CANE HARVESTER

which each inventor has executed on the date indicated below next to each inventor's name and which was filed 08 August 2003 and given serial number 10/637,143.

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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.

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 Date signed application 10/19/03
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