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**ASSIGNMENT  
(Joint Inventors)**

WHEREAS, we, Thomas Luft residing at Rheinstrasse 81, 76185 Karlsruhe, Germany; Axel Schneider residing at Landstrasse 56, 76547 Sinzheim, Germany; Michael Markus Huck residing at Büchelbachstrasse 76, 77830 Bühlertal, Germany; and Harald Twardawski residing at Enno-Sander-Strasse 7, 76437 Rastatt, Germany (hereinafter referred to as Assignors), have invented new and useful improvements in:

**FLEXIBLE CORRUGATED HOSE FITTING**

which is set forth in an application for Letters Patent in the United States. I hereby authorize and request my attorney(s) of record in this application to insert the serial number and filing date of this application in the spaces that follow:

Serial Number: 10/470,672, Filing Date: 07/29/2003

AND WHEREAS, Eaton Fluid Power GmbH (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), of Dr.-Reckeweg-Strasse 1, 76532 Baden-Baden, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and said application for Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent or Patents, United States or foreign, to be obtained therefor and thereon:

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal at Karlsruhe, in the State of Germany this 21 day of August, 2003.  
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Thomas Luft

Signed in our presence and acknowledged to be an assignment of the application (invention) hereinabove referred to


2003/08/21  
Date

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Witness

2003/08/21  
Date

B. J. J. J.  
Witness

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal at Sinzheim, in the State of Germany this 08 day of July, 2003.  
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Axel Schneider

Signed in our presence and acknowledged to be an assignment of the application (invention) hereinabove referred to

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal at Subertal, in the State of Germany, this 25 day of September, 2003.  
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Michael X  
Michael Markus Huck

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal at Pastatt, in the State of Germany, this 01 day of October, 2003.  
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Harald Twardawski

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