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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

Applicant/Patent Owner: Oscar Helver  
Application No./Patent No. 5,056,578 Filed/Issue Date: October 15, 1991  
Entitled: Carrier Structure for a Vertical Blind Assembly  
Royal Window Coverings (USA) L.P., a Limited Partnership  
(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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- B. ☒ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

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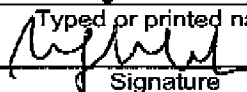
The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

JULY 7, 2004

Date

Douglas Dunsmuir

Typed or printed name



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Title

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**FIRST AMENDMENT  
TO  
AMENDED AND RESTATED CERTIFICATE  
AND AGREEMENT OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP  
OF NOVO INDUSTRIES, L.P.  
(HEREIN RENAMED AS "ROYAL WINDOW COVERINGS (USA) L.P.")**

This First Amendment to the Amended and Restated Certificate and Agreement of Limited Partnership of NOVO INDUSTRIES, L.P., a Texas limited partnership (respectively the "First Amendment" and the "Partnership"), effective as of the 31st day of December, 2000, is by and among NOVO MANAGEMENT, INC., a Nevada corporation ("General Partner") and NOVO CAPITAL, INC., a Nevada corporation ("Novo Capital"), and STEELEWOOD EXTRUDING CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation ("Steelewood"), with reference to that certain Amended and Restated Certificate and Agreement of Limited Partnership of Novo Industries, L.P., dated the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1996 (the "Restated Partnership Agreement"). Novo Capital and Steelewood are collectively referred to herein as the "Limited Partners". The General Partner and Limited Partners are collectively referred to herein as the "Partners".

**RECITALS:**

- A. The General Partner and Novo Capital have on this date agreed to admit Steelewood to the Partnership as a limited partner as provided herein and in that certain Contribution Agreement of even date herewith;
- B. The Partners desire to amend the Restated Partnership Agreement to change the name of the Partnership as provided herein;
- C. The Partners desire to amend the Restated Partnership Agreement to split the issued and outstanding Units of the Partnership and to increase the total number of Units which the Partnership is authorized to issue as provided herein; and
- D. The Partners desire to amend Schedule A to the Restated Partnership Agreement as provided herein.

NOW THEREFORE, the Partners agree that the Restated Partnership Agreement is amended as follows:

1. Admission of New Limited Partner. In consideration of Steelewood's contribution of all of its business assets and goodwill pursuant to that certain Contribution Agreement by and between Steelewood and the Partnership of even date herewith, the General Partner and Novo Capital agree, in accordance with Section 1.7 of the Restated

Partnership Agreement, to admit Steelewood as a Limited Partner of the Partnership to have the Unit and Percentage Interest in the Partnership set forth in the amended Schedule A to the Restated Partnership Agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

2. Consent to Assume Obligations and to be Bound by Restated Partnership Agreement. Steelewood does hereby agree and consent to assume any and all obligations arising out of, and to be bound by the terms of, the Restated Partnership Agreement as amended by this First Amendment with respect to the Unit transferred to Steelewood on this date.

3. Modification of Restated Partnership Agreement Regarding Name of Partnership. The Partners agree that, effective January 1, 2001 (notwithstanding any other effective date stated in this First Amendment), Section 1.2(a) of the Restated Partnership Agreement shall be, and hereby is, amended to read in its entirety as follows:

1.2 Name.

(a) The Partnership business shall be conducted under the name of ROYAL WINDOW COVERINGS (USA) L.P. or such other name or names as the Partners may determine from time to time.

4. Modification of Restated Partnership Agreement Regarding Name of Partnership. The Partners agree that the total number of Units which the Partnership is authorized to issue shall be increased by (a) splitting the currently issued and outstanding Units by a ratio of one hundred thousand (100,000) to one (1), and (b) by increasing the total number of Units which the Partnership is authorized to issue to twenty million (20,000,000) Units. Therefore, the Partners agree that the Units previously held by the General Partner and Novo Capital shall be split in the ratio set forth in this Paragraph 4 such that each shall have the Units set forth next to its name on the amended Schedule A to the Restated Partnership Agreement attached hereto. The Partners further agree that Section 1.5 of the Restated Partnership Agreement shall be, and hereby is, amended to read in its entirety as follows:

1.5 Authorized Number of Units. Subject to Section 3.4(c), the aggregate number of units ("Units") that the Partnership is authorized to issue is twenty million (20,000,000). Each holder of a Unit shall have the right to cast one vote for each Unit held by such holder on all matters upon which Partners of the Partnership are entitled to vote.

5. Amendment of Schedule A to the Restated Partnership Agreement. The Partners agree that Schedule A to the Restated Partnership Agreement shall be, and hereby is, amended to read in its entirety as set forth in the Schedule A attached hereto.

6. Modification of Restated Partnership Agreement Regarding the Definition of "Partnership". The Partners agree that the definition of "Partnership" set forth in Article X ("Glossary of Terms") of the Restated Partnership Agreement shall be, and hereby is, amended to read in its entirety as follows:

Partnership means Royal Window Coverings (USA) L.P., the limited partnership formed pursuant to this Agreement and the Certificate.

7. Confirmation. Except as amended above, the parties hereby ratify and confirm the Restated Partnership Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been executed as of the date first above written.

GENERAL PARTNER:

NOVO MANAGEMENT, INC.

By: 

Vic De Zen, President

NOVO CAPITAL:

NOVO CAPITAL, INC.

By: 

Vic De Zen, President

STEELEWOOD:

STEELEWOOD EXTRUDING  
CORPORATION

By: 

Vic De Zen, President

**SCHEDULE A**

Name, Address  
Capital Contribution, Units of Partnership  
Interest and Percentage Interest  
of Each Partner

<u>General Partner; Address</u>	<u>Units of Partnership Interest</u>	<u>Percentage Interests</u>
Novo Management, Inc. 400 W. King S. Carson City, NV 89703	100,000	1%

with a copy to

1 Royal Gate Blvd.  
Woodbridge, Ontario  
Canada L4L 8Z7  
Attention: Vic De Zen  
Telephone: (905) 264-0701

Limited Partner; Address

Novo Capital, Inc. 7611 Railhead Lane Houston, TX 77086 Attn: Todd M. Markey Telephone: (281) 447-6686 Fax: (281) 878-9010	9,900,000	99%
Steelwood Extruding Corporation c/o Allied Extrusions 11711 West Sample Road Coral Springs, FL 33065	1	0.00001%

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	<b>Filing Date</b>	7/30/1990
	<b>First Named Inventor</b>	Oscar Helver
	<b>Group Art Unit</b>	N/A
	<b>Examiner Name</b>	N/A
	<b>Title</b>	A Carrier Structure for a Vertical Blind Assembly
	<b>Attorney Docket Number</b>	70025290-0055

I hereby revoke all previous powers of attorney given in the above-identified application and now hereby appoint:

☒ Practitioners at Customer Number: 26263

OR

☐ Practitioner(s) named below:

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☐ Applicant/Inventor.

☒ Assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

**SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record**

Name	Douglas Dunsmuir (Secretary of Royal Window Coverings (USA) L.P.)
Signature	
Date	JUL 10 7, 2004

Note: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below\*.

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