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To the Honorable Commissioner of

Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies): FINANCE SECTION
Curt Manufacturing, Inc.

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)
Name: M&I Marshall & Ilsley Bank

1-20-04

Internal Address: 770 North Water Street

Regional Credit Center Legal File

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes No

Room _____

3. Nature of conveyance:

Assignment Merger

Security Agreement Change of Name

Other _____

Street Address: 770 North Water Street

Execution Date: 01/07/2004

City: Milwaukee State: WI Zip: 53202

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: _____

A. Patent Application No.(s) 07/687,631

B. Patent No.(s) 5,169,168

Additional numbers attached? Yes No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: Jeremy M. Welch

Internal Address: _____

Street Address: 500 Third Street,

Suite 700

City: Wausau State: WI Zip: 54403

6. Total number of applications and patents involved:

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ 40.00

Enclosed

Authorized to be charged to deposit account

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Jeremy M. Welch
Name of Person Signing

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Signature

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COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT

WHEREAS, Curt Manufacturing, Inc. (the "Assignor") is the owner of all rights to an invention titled "Ball Hitch Assembly" Application Number 07/687,631 (the "Invention"), for which U.S. Patent No. 5,169,168 was issued on April 19, 1991 (the "Patent");

WHEREAS, M&I Marshall & Ilsley Bank, a Wisconsin corporation with its principal office in Milwaukee, Wisconsin (the "Assignee"), has provided loans to the Assignor, a Wisconsin corporation; and

WHEREAS, the Assignee requires an interest in the Invention and Patent as security for the loans made to the Assignor;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of, and in security for certain loans by Assignee to the Assignor, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by the Assignor, the Assignor, by this document, does hereby assign and transfer unto the Assignee the full and exclusive right for the territory of the United States of America, its territories and possessions, in and to the Invention described in the Patent and in and to the Patent. Until repayment of all loans from Assignee to Assignor, both present and future, Assignee may hold and enjoy the Patent for its own use, and for its successors and assigns, to the full end term for which the Patent has been granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the Assignor had this assignment not been made. Nothing in this Collateral Assignment is intended to preclude the Assignor from using the Patent in the ordinary course of its business while Assignor is not in default with respect to the loans secured by this Collateral Assignment.

Assignee agrees to re-assign the Invention and the Patent to Assignor upon the repayment of all loans made to Assignor.

Executed this 7 day of January, 2007

CURT MANUFACTURING, INC.

By: [Signature]
Curt Tambornino, President/Treasurer

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF EAU CLAIRE

Personally came before me this 7th day of JANUARY, 2007, Curt Tambornino, to me known to be the President of Curt Manufacturing, Inc., and the person who executed the foregoing instrument and to me known and acknowledged that he executed the foregoing instrument.

[Signature], Notary Public
Eau Claire County, Wisconsin
My Commission 3/25/07

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