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3. INTEREST CONVEYED: Assignment

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4. PROPERTY(IES): New Application attached hereto

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**Hans Oetiker AG Maschinen- und Apparatefabrik
Oberdorfstrasse 21, CH-8812 Horgen, Switzerland**

(hereinafter ASSIGNEE) all right, title and interest for the United States, its territories and possessions in and to this invention relating to

Tube Clamp

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Declaration

Mr. Hans Oetiker, born May 25, 1918, deceased September 12, 2002, Swiss citizen, resident in CH-8810 Horgen, Switzerland, Post Office Address: Oberdorfstrasse 21, CH-8812 Horgen, Switzerland, his estate being represented by the executors of his last will, pursuant to the Court Order of September 26, 2002 of the competent Judge of the District Court of Horgen, Switzerland, and pursuant to the decree of December 23, 2002 of the District Court of Horgen, Switzerland (confirmation), namely

- Mr. Paul Nef, born July 17, 1933, Swiss Citizen, resident Wängirain 19, CH-8704 Herrliberg, Switzerland, Post Office: idem, and
- Dr. Marco Lorez, born June 14, 1939, Swiss Citizen, resident Auf der Halten 24, CH-8706 Meilen, Switzerland, Post Office idem,

and in consideration of Art. 560, par. 1, of the Swiss Civil Code whereas "The inheritance is vested as a whole in the heir or heirs by operation of law at the death of the deceased".

Encs.

1. Court Order of September 26, 2002 of the competent Judge of the District Court of Horgen
2. Decree of December 23, 2002 of the District Court of Horgen

In the name and for the estate of late Hans Oetiker, Horgen:

- 2. April 2003

The executors:

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Paul Nef

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Dr. Marco Lorez

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