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ASSIGNMENT

THIS ASSIGNMENT, made on the date set forth below by Mark R. Easter (hereinafter referred to as the assignor), residing at 4020 North Pennsylvania Street, Indianapolis, IN 46205, respectively witnesseth:

WHEREAS, said assignor has invented certain new and useful improvements in IMPROVED STRIPPABLE CABLE SHIELD COMPOSITIONS as set forth in an application for Letters Patent filed on April 30, 2003 in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and accorded serial number 10/425,675; and

WHEREAS, GENERAL CABLE TECHNOLOGIES CORP., a corporation duly organized under and pursuant to the laws of the State of Delaware, having its principal place of business at 4 Tesseneer Drive, Highland Heights, Kentucky 41076-9753 (hereinafter referred to as the assignee) is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and sufficient consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the said assignor has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents does sell, transfer and set over, unto the assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-mentioned inventions, application for Letters Patent, and any and all Letters Patent or Patents in the United States of America and all foreign countries which may be granted therefor and thereon, and in and to any and all divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part of said application, or reissues or extensions of said Letters Patent or Patents, and all rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the same to be held and enjoyed by the said assignee, for its own use and behoof and the use and behoof of its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to the full end of

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the term or terms for which Letters Patent or Patents may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the assignor, had this sale and assignment not been made.

AND for the same consideration, the said assignor hereby covenants and agrees to and with the said assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, that, at the time of execution and delivery of these presents, the said assignor is the sole and lawful owners of the entire right, title and interest in and to the said inventions and the application for Letters Patent above-mentioned, and that the same are unencumbered and that the said assignor has good and full right and lawful authority to sell and convey the same in the manner herein set forth.

AND for the same consideration, the said assignor hereby covenants and agrees to and with the said assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, that the said assignor will, whenever counsel of the said assignee or the counsel of its successors, legal representatives and assigns, shall advise that any proceeding in connection with said inventions, or said application for Letters Patent, or any proceeding in connection with Letters Patent for said inventions in any country, including interference proceedings, is lawful and desirable, that any division, continuation or continuation-in-part of any application for Letters Patent, or reissue or extension of any Letters Patent, to be obtained thereon, is lawful and desirable, sign all papers and documents, take all lawful oaths, and do all acts necessary or required to be done for the procurement, maintenance, enforcement and defense of Letters Patent for said inventions, without charge to the said assignor, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, but at the cost and expense of the said assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns.

AND said assignor hereby requests the Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent of the United States to the said assignee, as the assignee of said inventions and the Letters Patent to be issued thereon for the sole use and behoof of the said assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns.

PATENT REEL: 014999 FRAME: 0331 The undersigned hereby grant the firm of Blank Rome LLP the power to insert on this Assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

Date: 1/13/04

Mark R. Easter

STATE OF COUNTY OF

RECORDED: 02/19/2004

On this 13th day of January 2004, personally before me came Mark R. Easter, known to me, and known to me to be the person described in and who signed the annexed Assignment, and being duly sworn, acknowledged that they executed the same.

NOTARY PUBLIC Susan Schoede

My Commission Expires: 2/4/08