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Name: Newell Operating Company

Internal Address: _____

Street Address: _____

29 East Stephenson Street

City: Freeport

State: Illinois Zip: 61032-4235

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Pending Applications

Application No.	Filing Date	Title	Reel/Frame
10/074,542	03/12/02	Apparatus for Securing Sash Window	010793/0456 recorded 05/02/00
10/289,803	11/02/02	Integrated Tilt/Sash Assembly	013781/0367 recorded 02/24/03
10/290,037	11/07/02	Integrated Tilt/Sash Assembly	013602/0335 recorded 12/26/02
10/194,445	07/12/02	Spring Balance Assembly	013364/0872 recorded 10/9/02
10/370,084	02/20/03	Spring Balance Assembly	014116/0808 recorded 05/30/03
10/449,909	05/30/03	Block and Tackle Balance Assembly with Brake Shoe	filed 10/01/03
60/413,930	09/22/02	Integrated Tilt/Sash Lock Assembly	014046/0582 recorded 05/09/03
60/347,640	10/23/01	Block and Tackle Sash Balance Brake Assembly	014057/0510 recorded 10/20/03
10/430,803	05/06/03	Forced Entry Resistance Device for Sash Window Assembly	014249/0991 recorded 07/09/03

Issued Patents

Patent Number	Issue Date	Title
6,550,184	04/22/03	Brake Shoe for Sash Window or Door
6,568,723	05/27/03	Sash Lock for a Sash Window
6,484,444	11/26/02	Stop for a Slidable Window
5,139,291	08/14/92	Flush Mount Tilt-Latch for a Sash Window and Method
5,632,117	05/27/97	Sash Balance Brake Assembly
5,553,903	09/10/96	Window Vent Stop
6,155,615	12/05/00	Tilt-Latch for a Sash Window
6,230,443	05/15/01	Hardware Mounting
6,183,024	02/06/01	Tilt-Latch for a Sash Window

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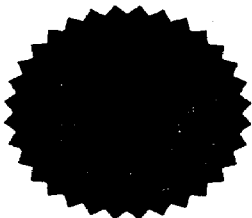
I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF MERGER, WHICH MERGES:

"ASHLAND PRODUCTS, INC.", A DELAWARE CORPORATION,

WITH AND INTO "NEWELL OPERATING COMPANY" UNDER THE NAME OF "NEWELL OPERATING COMPANY", A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, AS RECEIVED AND FILED IN THIS OFFICE THE TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D. 2003, AT 6:27 O'CLOCK P.M.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AFORESAID CERTIFICATE OF MERGER IS THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D. 2003.

A FILED COPY OF THIS CERTIFICATE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS.



Harriet Smith Windsor
Harriet Smith Windsor, Secretary of State

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CERTIFICATE OF MERGER
OF
ASHLAND PRODUCTS, INC.
INTO
NEWELL OPERATING COMPANY

It is hereby certified that:

1. The constituent business corporations participating in the merger herein certified are:
 - (i) Ashland Products, Inc., which is incorporated under the laws of the state of Delaware; and
 - (ii) Newell Operating Company, which is incorporated under the laws of the state of Delaware.
2. An Agreement and Plan of Merger has been approved, adopted, certified, executed and acknowledged by each of the aforesaid constituent corporations in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of Section 251 of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.
3. The name of the surviving corporation is Newell Operating Company, a Delaware corporation.
4. The merger is to become effective on December 31, 2003.
5. The Certificate of Incorporation of Newell Operating Company shall be the Certificate of Incorporation of the surviving corporation.
6. The executed Agreement of Merger is on file at the principal place of business of the surviving corporation. The address of said principal place is as follows:

c/o Newell Rubbermaid Inc.
29 East Stephenson Street
Freeport, IL 61032-4235

6. A copy of the Agreement and Plan of Merger will be furnished by the surviving

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corporation, on request and without cost, to any stockholder of any constituent corporation.

Dated as of the 29th day of December, 2003.

NEWELL OPERATING COMPANY,
a Delaware corporation

By: *D. L. Matschullat*
Dale L. Matschullat,
Vice President-General Counsel and
Corporate Secretary

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