

PATENT ASSIGNMENT

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AOS Holding Company	09/29/2004

RECEIVING PARTY DATA

Name:	The Water Heater Industry Joint Research and Development Consortium
Street Address:	19043 E. Wiki Way
City:	Rio Verde
State/Country:	ARIZONA
Postal Code:	85263

PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 4

Property Type	Number
Patent Number:	6109216
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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENTS AND PATENT APPLICATIONS

This Assignment is made between AOS Holding Company, a Delaware corporation having its principal place of business at 1403 Faulk Road, Suite 106-G, Wilmington, DE 19890 (hereinafter referred to as "Assignor") and The Water Heater Industry Joint Research and Development Consortium, an unincorporated business association having a place of business at 19043 E. Wiki Way, Rio Verde, Arizona 85263, its successors, assigns and legal representatives (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee").

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, Assignor has rights in and owns the United States patents identified in Addendum A attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignor:

1. Assignor hereby assigns to Assignee, its successors and assigns, absolutely and forever all Assignor's right, title and interest in and to all patents owned by Assignor and identified in Addendum A attached hereto.
2. Assignor further assigns to Assignee all Assignor's rights to sue for past infringement of said patents and to recover any and all damages and awards for such infringement.
3. Assignor further covenants and agrees that it will, upon demand of Assignee, its successors or assigns, and without further consideration, execute any and all papers necessary or deemed to be necessary by Assignee or its successors or assigns to be a complete fulfillment of the intent and purpose of this Assignment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Assignor and Assignee have caused this instrument to
be executed by their duly authorized officers.

AOS HOLDING COMPANY

By Wendy L. Grant
Wendy L. Grant
Corporate Secretary
Date: 9-29-04

The Water Heater Industry Joint Research and Development Consortium

By John P. Langmead
John P. Langmead
Consortium Coordinator
Date: 10/4/04

ADDENDUM A

UNITED STATES PATENTS

<u>PATENT NO.</u>	<u>ISSUE DATE</u>	<u>INVENTOR(S)</u>	<u>TITLE</u>
6,109,216	8/29/2000	Reynolds et al.	Flammable Vapor Resistant Water Heater
6,216,643	4/17/2001	Reynolds et al.	Flammable Vapor Resistant Water Heater
6,230,665	5/15/2001	Reynolds et al.	Flammable Vapor Resistant Water Heater
6,295,952	10/2/2001	Reynolds et al.	Flammable Vapor Resistant Water Heater

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