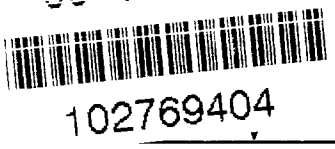


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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Michael J. Lambertson, 869 Yorkshire Avenue, Thousand Oaks, California 91360, Assignor, has invented a new and useful Blower Wheel for which an application for United States Letters Patent was executed by him on or about the same date as this Assignment; and

WHEREAS, Assignor believes himself to be the original, first and sole inventor of the invention disclosed and claimed in the application for Letters Patent; and

WHEREAS, ZERO Corporation, a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at 444 South Flower Street, Suite 2100, Los Angeles, CA 90071, Assignee, desires to acquire by formal, recordable assignment the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the application, and any Letters Patent that might be granted for the invention in the United States and throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby sells, assigns and transfers to Assignee, the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, the application, and any Letters Patent that might be granted for the invention in the United States and throughout the world, including the right to file foreign applications directly in the name of Assignee and to claim for any such foreign applications any priority rights to which such applications are entitled under international conventions, treaties or otherwise.

Further, Assignor agrees that, upon request and without further compensation, but at no expense to Assignor, he and his legal representatives and assigns will perform all lawful acts, including the execution of papers and the giving of testimony, that might be necessary or desirable for obtaining, sustaining, reissuing or enforcing Letters Patent in the United States and throughout the world for the invention, and for perfecting, recording or

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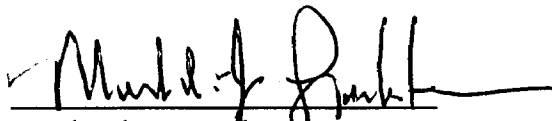
Assignor further authorizes and requests insertion below of the serial number and filing date of the application, when officially known:

Serial No. 08/965,791 Filing Date Nov. 7, 1997

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Assignor has executed this Assignment.

Assignor

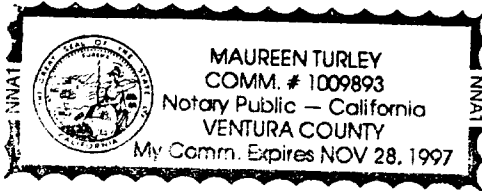
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On this 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, before me, MAUREEN TURLEY, a Notary Public, personally appeared Michael J. Lambertson personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person or entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Maureen Turley  
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