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City:	Glenview						
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ASSIGNMENT

For and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to:

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in hand paid by Illinois Tool Works Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), a Delaware corporation having its principal place of business at:

3600 West Lake Avenue, Glenview, Illinois 60026-1215

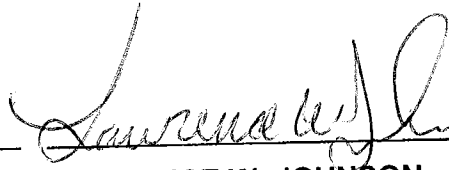
and for other valuable and sufficient consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we hereby sell, assign and convey, unto Assignee, its successors and assigns, our entire right, title and interest:

- (1) in and to an invention entitled "**Automotive Tether Device**" for which we have executed a United States Patent Application on even date herewith and which claims the benefits of United States Provisional Application No. 60/558,697 filed on April 1, 2004;
- (2) in and to said United States Patent Application, in and to all other patent applications now or hereafter filed in the United States and countries foreign to the United States (including divisional, continuation, reexamination, and reissue applications, and legal equivalents thereof) based upon said invention, and in and to the patent or patents to be granted thereon, including reissues or the like thereof, if any, to the full end of the term or terms for which said patent or patents may be granted; and
- (3) under the applicable International Treaties and/or Conventions, we further agree that any patent applications of any countries foreign to the United States which may be filed shall be filed in the name of our Assignee with the right to claim priority to said earlier filed applications.

And we hereby agree that we will, upon demand of Assignee, its successors or assigns, and without further consideration to us, execute any and all papers that may be necessary, or deemed by Assignee, its successors or assigns, to be necessary, to be a complete fulfillment of the intent and purposes of this Assignment, it being understood that any expense incident to the execution of such papers shall be paid by Assignee, its successors and assigns, and not by us.

And the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States and all other appropriate government officials for applicable countries foreign to the United States are hereby authorized and requested to issue said patent or patents to Assignee.

Date: 11-29-04



LAWRENCE W. JOHNSON

Date: 11/29/04



JEFFREY A. CRONK