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**PATENT** 

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## ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION

WHEREAS, We, Michael A. Durbin, 3487 Dovershire Avenue, N.W., Massillon, Ohio 44646; Andrew C. Budd, 4099 April Drive, Uniontown, Ohio 44685; Timothy T. Hertrick, 8338 Turquoise, N.E., Canton, Ohio 44721; Charles A. Lang, 11280 Merrimack Avenue, Hartville, Ohio 44632; Bruce C. Straslicka, 749 Victoria Circle, Medina, Ohio 44256; William H. Theiss, Jr., 3914 Ennis Circle, N.E., Canton, Ohio 44705, invented certain new and useful improvements in the invention entitled:

## SUCTION SHUT OFF DEVICE FOR A CLEANING APPARATUS

WHEREAS, THE HOOVER COMPANY, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and doing business in North Canton, Ohio, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in said invention and in and to the Letters Patent to be obtained therefore:

NOW THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known, that for and in the consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by each of us, and the obligations imposed by or arising under one or more of our employment agreement(s), advisor agreement(s), state or national statutes, common law, and administrative regulation, and other valuable considerations, we, the said Michael A. Durbin, Andrew C. Budd, Timothy T. Hertrick, Charles A. Lang, Bruce C. Straslicka, William H. Theiss:

- have sold, assigned and transferred, and do herby sell, assign and transfer unto THE HOOVER COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the whole right, title and interest in and to the said invention, and to the above-described application for Letters Patent of the United States and any other foreign, regional or national patent office, as well as any substituted, continuation, continuation-in-part, or divisional application filed thereon and to any Letters Patent of the United States or any other foreign, regional or national patent office that issues from such application(s) as well as any reissue applications or request for reexamination filed on such Letters Patent(s); and we do hereby authorize and request the respective Commissioner of Patents to issue the said Letters Patent to THE HOOVER COMPANY, as assignee of our entire right, title and interest, for the sole use and behoof of THE HOOVER COMPANY, its successors and assigns;
- > covenant and agree for ourselves and our legal representative(s) to
  - a) assist said assignee and/or its designee(s), to the extent requested, in the prosecution of said application for patent, in any interference declared on said application for patent or patent issuing therefrom, or in litigation which arises out of or is based on said application for patent or patent issuing therefrom, and
  - b) execute all papers related to said application for patent which said assignee or its designee(s) request to be signed, provided that expenses relating thereto shall be borne by said assignee.

IN TESTIMONY WI	HEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal, this <u>25</u> day of <u>Michael A. Durbu-</u> Michael A. Durbin
STATE OF OHIO	) )
COUNTY OF STARK	)ss: )

Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, Michael A. <u>Durbin</u>, personally know to me and known to be the person whose name is signed to the above instrument, and acknowledged the above instrument as his free act and deed, this 25<sup>41</sup> day of 2004.

Notary Public, State of Ohio

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		Andrew C. Budd
STATE OF OHIO	) )SS:	
COUNTY OF STARK	)	
Budd nersonally know	w to me and kno	which in and for the County and State aforesaid, Andrew C. whose name is signed to the above rument as his free act and deed, this 25 <sup>th</sup> day of the state of the
		Parento S. Harry
		Notary Public, State of Ohio
		My Commission Expires and 14 Loux
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IN TESTIMONY WHER  5→~€ , 200		set my hand and affix my seal, this 24 day of  Twoth T. Hertrick
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STATE OF OHIO COUNTY OF STARK	) )SS: )	
Hertrick, personally know	to me and know	blic in and for the County and State aforesaid, $\frac{\text{Timothy T.}}{\text{VID}}$ to be the person whose name is signed to the above trument as his free act and deed, this $\mathcal{A}^{\text{CP}}$ day of
	_	Panela S. Mapes  Notary Public, State of Ohio
		My Commission Expires Que 14 2008

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal, this B day of JUNE, 2004.
Charles A. Lang
STATE OF OHIO
)SS: COUNTY OF STARK )
Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, Charles A.  Lang personally know to me and known to be the person whose name is signed to the above instrument, and acknowledged the above instrument as his free act and deed, this (** day of
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal, this 24 day of 3004.
Bruce C. Straslicka
STATE OF OHIO )
)SS: COUNTY OF STARK )
Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, <u>Bruce C. Straslicka</u> , personally know to me and known to be the person whose name is signed to the above instrument, and acknowledged the above instrument as his free act and deed, this 2 ft day of 2004.
Panela S. Hapes  Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal, this 24th day of william H. Theiss, Jr.
STATE OF OHIO ) )SS:
COUNTY OF STARK )
Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, William H. Theiss, Jr. perrsonally know to me and known to be the person whose name is signed to the above instrument, and acknowledged the above instrument as his free act and deed, this 2004.
Pamela S. Hages  Notary Public, State of Ohio

**RECORDED: 10/04/2004** 

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My Commission Expires aug. 14 2008