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## **ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS WE,

Heinrich Henssler, Obere Zeiselbergstr. 14, D-73525 Schwäbisch Gmünd, Germany

Martin Schultheiss, Rektor-Klaus-Str. 84, D-73525 Schwäbisch Gmünd, Germany

have made an invention for which we have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on October 25th, 2004

and entitled

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## WHEREAS

GARDENA Manufacturing GmbH

organized and existing under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany, and having its principal office for the transaction of business at Hans-Lorenser-Str. 40, D-89079 Ulm, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon, and in and to the said application for Letters Patent therefore, and any Letters Patent which may be obtained therefore;

NOW, THEFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that for and in consideration of the equivalent sum of one dollar (\$ 1.00), lawful money of the United States, to us in hand paid by said GARDENA Manufacturing GmbH and other valuable considerations unto us moving from said GARDENA Manufacturing GmbH at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said Heinrich Henssler and Martin Schultheiss have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed, and by these presents, do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said GARDENA Manufacturing GmbH its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention as set forth and

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PATENT REEL: 015999 FRAME: 0213 described in the specification forming part of said United States patent application and any and all improvements thereon, and in and to any division, continuation or continuation-in-part thereof, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States, which may be on any of said applications, and any reissues thereof, and in and to any and all applications for Letters Patent filed in foreign countries for said invention or improvements including all priority rights and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted in foreign countries therefore, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all said Letters Patent may be granted.

AND WE, the said, Heinrich Henssler and Martin Schultheiss do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue the said Letter Patent of the United States to GARDENA Manufacturing GmbH as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and behoof of said GARDENA Manufacturing GmbH its successors and assigns;

AND WE, the said Heinrich Henssler and Martin Schultheiss for the consideration aforesaid, do hereby covenant and agree to and with said GARDENA Manufacturing GmbH its successors and assigns, that we have the full power to make this assignment, and that the rights assigned are not encumbered by any grant, license or right heretofore given, and that we, our executors or administrators, shall and will do all lawful acts and things and make, execute and deliver, without further compensation, any and all other instruments in writing, further applications, papers, affidavits, powers of attorney, assignments and other documents which, in the opinion of counsels for said GARDENA Manufacturing GmbH its successors and assigns, may be required or necessary more effectively to secure to and vest in said GARDENA Manufacturing GmbH its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and improvements, applications, Letters Patent, rights, titles, benefits, privileges and advantages hereby sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed; and that we will sign any applications for reissues which may be desired by the owner of the patent or patents which may be issued for the said invention or improvements.

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Subscribed and executed at

Schwäbisch Gmünd, October 25th, 2004

(Ort, Datum)

(Heinrich Henssler)

(Martin Schultheiss)

(Witness) Karin Anger

(Witness) Silke Ehret

**RECORDED: 11/16/2004** 

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