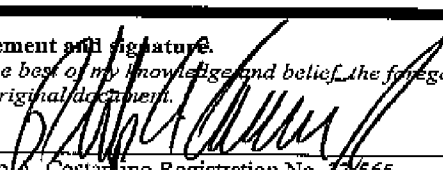


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WHEREAS, I/we, the undersigned, have invented certain novel and useful improvements in

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