

**PATENT ASSIGNMENT**

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Whereas, RIPPEY CORPORATION, a California corporation having its principal place of business at 5000 Hillsdale Circle, El Dorado Hills, California 95762 (hereinafter referred to as Assignor), owns certain inventions for which applications for patent have been executed (the Patent Properties) as shown in Schedule A attached hereto; and

Whereas, ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC., a Delaware corporation having its principal place of business at 3600 West Lake Avenue, Glenview, Illinois 60026 (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in, to, and under the Patent Properties;

Now, therefore, for good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor assigns and transfers to the Assignee and the Assignee's legal representatives, successors and assigns the full and exclusive rights in and to the invention in the U.S. and every foreign country and the entire right, title, and interest in and to the Patent Properties and other such applications (e.g., provisional applications, non-provisional applications, continuations, continuations-in-part, divisionals, reissues, reexaminations, National phase applications, including petty patent applications, and utility model applications) that may be filed in the United States and every foreign country on the invention, and the patents, extensions, or derivations thereof, both foreign and domestic, that may issue thereon, and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue U.S. patents to the above-mentioned Assignee agreeably with the terms of this assignment document.

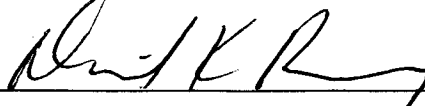
Upon said consideration, Assignor conveys to the Assignee the right to make application in its own behalf for protection of the invention in the U.S. and countries foreign to the U.S. and to claim under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the International Convention and/or other international arrangement for any such application the date of the U.S. application (or any other application on the invention) to gain priority with respect to other applications.

Assignor does hereby covenant and agree with the Assignee that it will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with the terms of this assignment document set forth herein, and that Assignor will at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the Assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and do such additional acts as the Assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the Assignee's enjoyment of this assignment, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, reissued, reexamined, and National phase patents of the U.S. or of any and all foreign countries on the invention, and in enforcing any rights or choses in action accruing as a result of such applications or patents, and by executing statements and other affidavits, it being understood that the foregoing covenant and agreement shall bind, and inure to the benefit of, the assigns and legal representatives of all parties hereto.

In witness whereof, Assignor has caused one of its officers to hereunder set his/her hand to be effective the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August 2005 at 12:01a.m.

RIPPEY CORPORATION

Date: 8-1-2005

  
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Print Name: DAVID A. RIPPEY  
Title: CEO

## SCHEDULE A

### Patent Properties of RIPPEY CORPORATION

Application No.	Filing Date	Publication No.	Publication Date.	Patent No.	Issue Date
09/275,661	24-Mar-1999	None	None	6,076,662	20-Jun-2000
09/193,009	16-Nov-1998	None	None	6,120,616	19-Sep-1999
09/193,054	16-Nov-1998	None	None	6,158,448	12-Dec-2000
09/192,878	16-Nov-1998	None	None	6,182,323	06-Feb-2001
09/275,735	24-Mar-1999	None	None	6,176,067	23-Jan-2001
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