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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks. Please record the attached original documents or file copy thereof.

## 1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?

**Billy Joe Ratliff, Jr.  
Samuel Patrick Landers  
David Charles Poling  
Charles Kenneth Schmalix  
Robert Allen Losey**☐ yes ☒ no

## 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Name: **The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company**Internal Address: **Department 823**Street Address: **1144 East Market Street**City: **Akron** State: **OH** Zip: **44316**Fax Number: **330-796-9018**Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ yes ☒ no

## 3. Nature of Conveyance:

- ☒ Assignment ☐ Merger  
☐ Security Agreement ☐ Change of Name  
☐ Other

Execution Date: **June 23, 2003, July 23, 2003, July 23, 2003,  
July 23, 2003, July 23, 2003, respectively**

## 4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is:

A. Patent Application No.(s): **10/601,504**

B. Patent No.

Additional numbers attached? ☐ yes ☒ no

## 5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

**Name: The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company  
Internal Address: Dept 823 - Docket DN2003-095  
Street Address: 1144 East Market Street  
City: Akron State: Ohio Zip: 44316-0001**6. Total number of applications and patents involved: **1**7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) **\$ 40.00**☐ Enclosed☒ Authorized to be charged to deposit account8. Deposit Account Number: **07-1725**

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## 9. Statement and signature.

*To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.***Nancy T. Krawczyk, Reg. No. 38,744**

Name of Person Signing

Signature

Date

**Aug 29, 2005**Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document: **3**Mail documents to be recorded with required cover sheet information to:  
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Docket No. DN2003095Serial No. 10/601,504Filed June 23, 2005**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, WE, Billy Joe Ratliff, Jr., Samuel Patrick Landers, David Charles Poling, Charles Kenneth Schmalix, Robert Allen Losey, of 869 Skyside Drive, Clinton, Ohio 44216, U.S.A., 8691 Brodie Circle, N.W., North Canton, Ohio 44720, U.S.A., 3354 Linden Street, Uniontown, Ohio 44685, U.S.A., 8882 Greenmeadow Avenue, Canal Fulton, Ohio 44614, U.S.A., 1634 Meloy Road, Kent, Ohio 44240, U.S.A., respectively,

have invented certain improvements in TIRE TREAD

and described in a patent application executed the 23rd day of June, July, 2003, by the undersigned for filing in The United States of America, being owner(s) of all right, title and interest in and to said application and in and to any invention described therein and having full right to convey the entire interest both legal and equitable herein assigned; and

WHEREAS, THE GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY, of Akron, Ohio 44316, a corporation of the State of Ohio (assignee) is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and said invention described therein and any and all patents to be obtained therefor, all as hereinafter set forth:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of good and valuable consideration received by the undersigned, the undersigned does (do) hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions, as described in the aforesaid application, in any form or embodiment thereof, and in and to the aforesaid application; and in and to any application filed in any foreign country based thereon, including the right to file said foreign applications under the provisions of the International Convention; also the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents or reissues or extensions thereof to be obtained in this or any foreign country upon said invention or inventions and any divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part or substitute applications which may be filed upon said invention or inventions in this or any foreign country; and the undersigned hereby authorize(s) and request(s) the issuing authority to issue any and all patents on said application or applications to said assignee or its successors and assigns.

The undersigned further agree(s) to execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, improvement, extension, reissue and other patent applications in this or any foreign country relating to said application or invention and to sign all other lawful papers and to perform all other lawful acts without further consideration, but without expense to myself (ourselves), which the assignee may deem necessary or desirable to make this Assignment fully effective including by way of example, but not of limitation, the following acts:

- (1) Prompt execution of all lawful oaths, affidavits and/or supplemental oaths required or deemed advisable by the assignee to further the prosecution of any application or applications for letters patent relating to the subject matter of this Assignment;
- (2) To cooperate to the best of my (our) ability in the execution of all lawful documents, the production of evidence, and the giving of testimony in interference, opposition, nullification or infringement proceedings involving the said invention or improvement, applications or patents or any of them.

The undersigned hereby authorize(s) said assignee to insert in this Assignment the serial number and filing date of the above-identified application when known.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has (have) hereunto set his (their) hand(s) and seal(s) on the date(s) set after his (their) signature(s).

<u>Louis J. Jones</u>	(L.S.)	<u>Billy Joe Ratliff Jr.</u>	<u>6/23</u>	2003
WITNESS		Billy Joe Ratliff Jr.		
<u>David H. King</u>	(L.S.)	<u>Samuel Patrick Landers</u>	<u>7/23</u>	2003
WITNESS		Samuel Patrick Landers		
<u>David B. King</u>	(L.S.)	<u>David Charles Poling</u>	<u>7/23</u>	2003
WITNESS		David Charles Poling		
<u>David B. King</u>	(L.S.)	<u>Charles Kenneth Schmalix</u>	<u>7/23</u>	2003
WITNESS		Charles Kenneth Schmalix		
<u>David H. King</u>	(L.S.)	<u>Robert Allen Losey</u>	<u>July 23,</u>	2003
WITNESS		Robert Allen Losey		

Docket No. DN2003095State of Ohio )  
County Summit of Summit )

SS:

On this 23rd day of June, 2003, before me personally appeared  
Billy Joe Ratliff, Jr.  
to me personally known, and known to me to be the person who signed the foregoing assignment, and acknowledge the  
signing of same as his free act and deed.

Lois J. Gould  
Notary Public

State of Ohio )  
County Summit of Summit )

SS:

**Lois J. Gould, Notary Public**  
Residence - **Summit County**  
State Wide Jurisdiction, Ohio  
My Commission Expires **October 27, 2006**

On this 23rd day of July, 2003, before me personally appeared  
Samuel Patrick Landers  
to me personally known, and known to me to be the person who signed the foregoing assignment, and acknowledge the  
signing of same as his free act and deed.

Stacy J. Sidle  
Notary Public

State of Ohio )  
County Summit of Summit )

SS:

**STACY J. SIDLE, Notary Public**  
Residence - **Summit County**  
State Wide Jurisdiction, Ohio  
My Commission Expires **August 25, 2007**

On this 23rd day of July, 2003, before me personally appeared  
David Charles Poling  
to me personally known, and known to me to be the person who signed the foregoing assignment, and acknowledge the  
signing of same as his free act and deed.

Stacy J. Sidle  
Notary Public  
**STACY J. SIDLE, Notary Public**  
Residence - **Summit County**  
State Wide Jurisdiction, Ohio  
My Commission Expires **August 25, 2007**

State of Ohio )  
County Summit of Summit )

SS:

On this 23rd day of July, 2003, before me personally appeared  
Charles Kenneth Schmalix  
to me personally known, and known to me to be the person who signed the foregoing assignment, and acknowledge the  
signing of same as his free act and deed.

Stacy J. Sidle  
Notary Public  
**STACY J. SIDLE, Notary Public**  
Residence - **Summit County**  
State Wide Jurisdiction, Ohio  
My Commission Expires **August 25, 2007**

State of Ohio )  
County Summit of Summit )

SS:

On this 23rd day of June, 2003, before me personally appeared  
Robert Allen Losey  
to me personally known, and known to me to be the person who signed the foregoing assignment, and acknowledge the  
signing of same as his free act and deed.

Stacy J. Sidle  
Notary Public  
**STACY J. SIDLE, Notary Public**  
Residence - **Summit County**  
State Wide Jurisdiction, Ohio  
My Commission Expires **August 25, 2007**