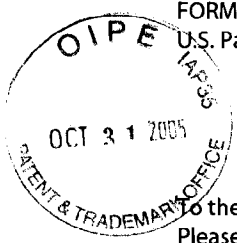


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Great Dane Power Equipment, Inc.

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**PATENT ASSIGNMENT**

Whereas Great Dane Power Equipment, Inc., a Florida corporation located at 6501 Highway 55 East, in Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina ("Assignor"), has been assigned all the rights, interest, title and privileges of all of the inventors in the following patent, and all reissue, divisional, continuation and continuation-in-part applications thereof, including all of the inventors' entire rights under any international convention, and all inventions disclosed and discussed therein:

**U.S. Patent No. 6,490,849, entitled Lawn Mower with a Platform for a Standing Operator, issued December 10, 2002; and**

Whereas Auburn Consolidated Industries, Inc., a Nebraska corporation whose principal place of business is located at 2100 J Street, in Auburn, Nebraska ("Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said patent.

Now therefore, for good and valuable consideration, as set forth in a separate agreement between the parties, the sufficiency and adequacy which is expressly acknowledged, Assignor has sold, assigned, and transferred pursuant to this agreement, and by these presents does hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto Assignee, its successors and assigns, its entire right, title and interest in and to said patent and all reissue, divisional, continuation-in-part, and continuation applications thereof, both foreign and domestic, that may or shall issue or claim priority based thereon, including all of its entire rights under any international convention and all inventions disclosed and discussed therein.

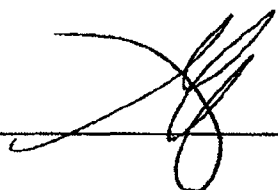
Upon said consideration, Assignor, its successor and assigns does hereby covenant and agree with the Assignee, its successors and assigns, that Assignor, its successor and assigns, will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents and that Assignor, its successor and assigns, will at any time upon request, without further consideration, but at the expense of the Assignee, their successor, or assigns, execute such additional writings and do such additional acts as said Assignees, their successors, or assigns, may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the Assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, reissued, or extended patent of the United States, or of any and all foreign countries on said invention, and in enforcing any rights occurring as a result of such patent, by giving testimony in any proceedings or transactions involving such applications or patents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Greg Doherty  
Vice President of the Assignor, has signed this Agreement on  
the date set forth below, and wherein this Assignment becomes effective on the date set  
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**PATENT**

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(Signed)



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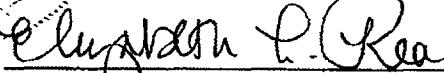
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On this 7 day of October 2005, before me a Notary Public, personally appeared Greg Doherty, known to me to be the Vice President of Great Dane Power Equipment, Inc., and who is authorized to act on behalf of Assignor, and further is known to me to be the person who executed the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

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Date 4-14-2007

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