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EXHIBIT A ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Tempur World, LLC (hereinafter, "Assignee"), a Delaware Limited Liability Corporation having its principal place of business at 1713 Jaggie Fox Way, Lexington, KY 40511, desires to own all rights in and to the invention of laminated viscoelastic supports (the "Invention") as disclosed and claimed in the following related patent matters:

- (i) United Kingdom Patent Application No. 9411120.0, filed on June 3, 1994;
- (ii) United Kingdom Patent Application No. 9411504.5, filed on June 9, 1994;
- (iii) United States Patent Application Serial No. 08/458,968, filed on June 2, 1995, and issued as United States Patent No. 6,159,574 on December 12, 2000;
- (iv) United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/703,893, filed on November 1, 2000, and issued as United States Patent No. 6,541,094 on April 1, 2003;
- (v) United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/403,255, filed on March 31, 2003; and
- (vi) United States Patent Application Serial No. 11/005,803, filed on December 7, 2004:

hereinafter items (i) through (vi) above collectively referred to as the "Patent Matters"; and WHEREAS, Michael B. Allaway ("hereinafter, "Assignor"), a British citizen residing at 15 Bourdon Street, London W1K 3PX, United Kingdom, is willing to assign to Assignee any and all such right, title and interest held by Assignor in and to the Invention and the Patent Matters, and to execute all documentation necessary to evidence such assignment.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it be known that, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby sells, assigns and transfers to Assignee, its lawful successors and assigns, any and all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to the Invention; the Patent Matters; any and all other patent applications (including divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, and reissue applications) claiming the Invention and naming Assignor as inventor, and in and to any patent or patents granted

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thereon, including reissues thereof, if any, to the full end of the term or terms for which such patent or patents may be granted; any and all patent applications claiming the Invention and naming Assignor as an inventor now or hereafter filed in countries foreign to the United States of America, and in and to any and all patents granted on such patent applications to the full end of the terms for which such patents may be granted; and any and all patent applications filed under the Paris Convention and claiming priority to any of the Patent Matters, and in and to any and all patents granted on such patent applications to the full end of the terms for which such patents may be granted (hereinafter collectively the "Patent Assets").

AND, ASSIGNOR HEREBY further covenants and agrees, upon the written request of Assignee, to perform such other acts to the extent reasonable, necessary and appropriate to transfer and vest ownership of the Patent Assets in and to Assignee; to evidence such transfer of the Patent Assets to Assignee; to assist Assignee in Assignee's efforts, if any, to obtain, reissue, extend, maintain, enforce and defend any of the Patent Assets; and to provide affidavits and testimony on behalf of Assignee as to such facts within Assignor's actual knowledge in connection with the Invention in any administrative proceedings, arbitrations, litigation, or controversy related thereto; provided that any and all expenses incident to such acts or assistance provided by Assignor shall be paid in full by Assignee, its successors and assigns, including reasonable reimbursement of Assignor's time in performing such acts or providing such assistance.

Assignee has empowered and authorized the below named person to sign this Agreement on its behalf; and the signature of each person to this Agreement shall constitute an acknowledgement, representation and warranty by such person that such person has the authority to bind the party for which such party purports to sign this Agreement.

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, their heirs, assigns, and successors in interest.

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