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FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the sufficiency and receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the following inventor (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR")

Christine Fletcher, residing at 11113 190<sup>th</sup> Avenue NW, Elk River, MN 55330

hereby assign, transfer and set over to:

EcoWater Systems LLC  
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(hereinafter called "ASSIGNEE"), the entire worldwide right, title and interest in and to the invention known as

**WATER SOFTENER**

which is fully described in an application for a design patent application of the United States executed by her this day,

and all rights and privileges under any Patent which may be granted from any subsequent patent applications directed to said invention, including all right, if any, throughout the entire world to sue for all past infringements which may have occurred before the execution of this assignment.

(1) The ASSIGNOR agrees without charge to said ASSIGNEE but at its expense (a) to execute (i) all necessary papers to be used in connection with this application and any additional, continuing, or divisional applications, as the ASSIGNEE may deem necessary or expedient, (ii) all papers in connection with any interference or other legal or quasilegal proceedings relating to this application or any additional, continuing, or divisional applications thereof, (iii) all papers and documents which may be necessary in connection with the preparation and filing of any foreign applications or with making claims to priority rights granted under the provisions of the International Convention for Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements; (b) to cooperate with ASSIGNEE in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward in any such proceedings; and (c) to perform all other affirmative acts which may be necessary or desirable to obtain a grant of a valid patent for said invention in any country throughout the world.

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(3) ASSIGNOR hereby covenants and warrants that they have full right to convey the entire right, title and interest by this instrument, free of any encumbrances and that no other agreement has been or will be executed in conflict herewith.

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