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[1.] **Dennis J. May**  
 [2.] **Samuel D. Griggs**  
 [3.] **Matthew Lowder**  
 [4.] **Thomas E. Whittlesey**

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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

**Tipper Tie, Inc.**  
 2000 Lufkin Road  
 Apex, NC 27502

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3. Nature of conveyance:

☒ Assignment  
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Execution Date:

[1.] July 7, 2006 [2.] July 7, 2006 [3.] July 7, 2006 [4.]  
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4. Application Serial No. 11/458,158, filed July 18, 2006;Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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

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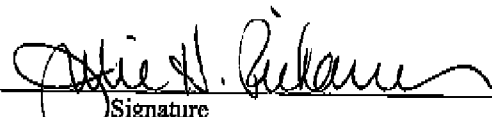
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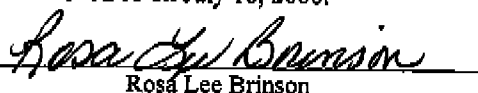
  
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**ASSIGNMENT**

THIS ASSIGNMENT, made by us, **Dennis J. May**, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 186 Lindo Johnson Road, Pittsboro NC 27312; **Samuel D. Griggs**, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 2901 Piney Court, Raleigh NC 27603; **Matthew Lowder**, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 5213 Pickford Place, Durham, NC 27703; and **Thomas E. Whittlesey**, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 1313 Kelly Road, Apex, North Carolina 27502;

WITNESSETH: That,

WHEREAS, we are the joint inventors of certain new and useful improvements in ***LOW PROFILE RUCKERS CAPABLE OF RUCKING FIXED DIAMETER COVERINGS AND ASSOCIATED DEVICES, METHODS, SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS*** for which an application has been filed, or is being concurrently filed, in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. We hereby authorize and request Myers Bigel Sibley & Sajovec, P.A., to insert here in parentheses (Application No. 11/458,158, filed 07/18/2006 ) the filing date and application number of said application when known; and

WHEREAS, **Tipper Tie, Inc.**, a Delaware corporation having a principal place of business at 2000 Lufkin Road, Apex, NC 27502, hereinafter referred to as assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention(s) as described in said application, and in and to any and all Letters Patent which shall be granted for said invention(s) in the United States of America and all foreign countries;

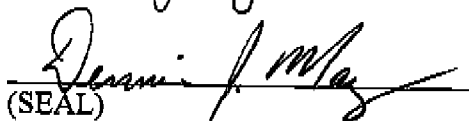
NOW, THEREFORE, To Whom It May Concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and convey unto the said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said invention and application, and in and to any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, or divisions thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America and all foreign countries or reissues or other forms of protection thereof which may be granted therefor or thereon, for the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted along with any term extensions thereon or therefor, together with the right to claim the


priority of said application in all foreign countries in accordance with the International Convention, the same to be held and enjoyed by said assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made. We hereby request that said Letters Patent be issued in accordance with this assignment.

We further covenant and agree that, at the time of the execution and delivery of these presents, we possess full title to the invention(s) and applications above-mentioned, and that we have the unencumbered right and authority to make this assignment.

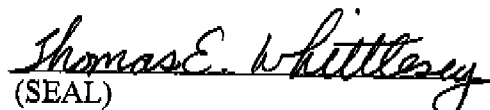
We further covenant and agree to promptly communicate to said assignee or its representatives any facts known to us relating to said invention(s), to testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said invention(s), to execute any additional papers which may be requested to confirm the right of the assignee, its representatives, successors, or assigns to secure patent or similar protection for the said invention(s) in all countries and to vest in the assignee complete title to the said invention(s) and Letters Patent, without further compensation, but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, assigns, and other legal representatives; and we hereby instruct, and further covenant and agree to bind our heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, to do same, without further compensation, but at the expense of said assignee or its representatives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this 7th  
day of July, 2006.

  
(SEAL)  
Dennis J. May

  
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Matthew D. Lowder

  
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