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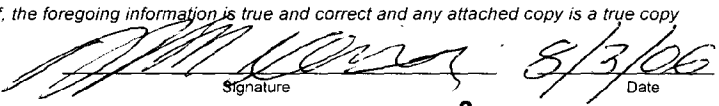
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**ASSIGNMENT**

The below named inventor(s) has (have) invented certain new and useful improvements in

**FIELD CHOPPER AND METHOD OF OPERATION**

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which the inventor(s) is (are) about to make application for letters patent of the United States, which application was duly executed on the date(s) indicated below next to each inventor's name;

The inventor is employed by a German subsidiary of DEERE & COMPANY under the terms of German law. Based on the German law on employee inventions, DEERE & COMPANY laid claim on the invention and became the owner of any rights in it.

In recognition of and confirming the foregoing each inventor has and hereby does assign to Deere & Company the entire right, title and interest which said inventor has or may have to the invention.

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Each inventor hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any letters patent based on the assigned rights to Deere & Company.

In witness whereof, each inventor has signed below:

Date signed application declaration 30 July 2006

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