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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I Thomas Muhr, a citizen of the Federal Republic of Germany residing at Mühlhardt 45, D-57439 Attendorn, Germany, I Jochen Asbeck, a citizen of the Federal Republic of Germany, residing at Am Hollenloch 32d, D-57439 Attendorn, Germany, and I Vladimir Kobelev, a citizen of France, residing at Auf dem Arnsbeul 23, D-57439 Attendorn, Germany, and I Karsten Westerhoff, a citizen of the Federal Republic of Germany residing at Voßhöfener Str. 299, D-58300 Wetter, Germany; I Jörg Dieter Brecht, a citizen of the Federal Republic of Germany residing at Westfälische Str. 2, D-57462 Olpe, Germany and I Andreas Hees, a citizen of the Federal Republic of Germany residing at Westerwald Str. 30, D-57629 Norken, Germany have made certain inventions or discoveries (or both) in a VALVE SPRING PLATE WITH TWO SUPPORTING TONGUES for which we have filed an application for U.S. Letters Patent on even date herewith; and

WHEREAS, Muhr und Bender KG, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Federal Republik of Germany, and having a place of business at In den Schlachtwiesen 4, D-57439 Attendorn, Germany (hereinafter Muhr), is desirous of acquiring all rights, title and interest in and to the said application and any inventions or discoveries (or both) therein described and any Letters Patent that may be issued for any inventions or discoveries contained in said application, and of confirming the same or any part thereof heretofore acquired by Muhr.

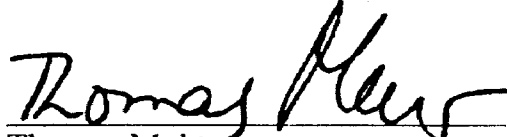
NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, we, the said Thomas Muhr, I, the said Jochen Asbeck, I, the said Vladimir Kobelev, I, the said Karsten Westerhoff, I, the said Jörg Dieter Brecht and I, the said Andreas Hees, have sold, assigned, conveyed, transferred and set over and do hereby sell, assign, convey, transfer and set over to Muhr, its successors and assigns, all rights, title and interest in and to the said application and any inventions or discoveries (or both) disclosed and/or claimed herein, the rights to apply for patents on said inventions or discoveries (or both) in any foreign countries, the rights to claim for such applications the priority date of any earlier-filed application under any international convention, treaty or agreement and modifications thereof providing therefore, all reissue, substitute, renewal, divisional, continuation and continuation-in-part applications for patents on said inventions or discoveries (or both), and any patents that may be granted on said applications or for said inventions or discoveries (or both) and extensions and renewals thereof in the United States and in any foreign countries, to the full end of the term or terms for which said patents may be issued, extended or renewed, the same to be held and enjoyed by Muhr, its successors and assigns, just as it would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment had not been made.

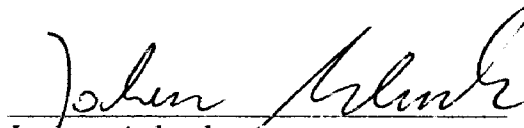
We hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all such U.S. Letters Patent to Muhr in accordance with this instrument of Assignment and to vest in Muhr, its successors and assigns the title herein conveyed, or intended so to be, and to enable such title to be recorded.

We hereby represent and warrant, in consideration of the premises, that there are no rights or interests outstanding which are inconsistent with the rights and interests granted herein, and that we will not execute any instrument or grant or transfer any rights or interests inconsistent therewith, and we bind ourselves, and our heirs, executors, administrators and legal representatives, as the case may be, to execute and deliver to Muhr, or its successors or assigns, any further documents or instruments and to do any and all further acts that may be deemed necessary by Muhr, or its successors or assigns, to prosecute said application or applications for the said inventions or discoveries, and to vest in Muhr, its successors and assigns the title herein conveyed, or intended so to be, and to enable such title to be recorded.

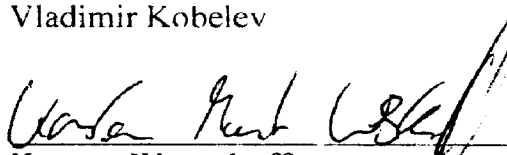
And we further covenant and agree, in consideration of the premises, that we, our heirs, executors, administrators and legal representatives will at any time upon request communicate to Muhr, or its successors or assigns, any facts relating to said inventions and discoveries and the history thereof known to us or our heirs, executors, administrators and legal representatives, and that we will testify as to the same in any interference or litigation or other proceeding when requested so to do by Muhr or its successors or assigns, it being understood and agreed that Muhr, or its successors or assigns will compensate us for our expenses reasonably incurred in complying with such requests.

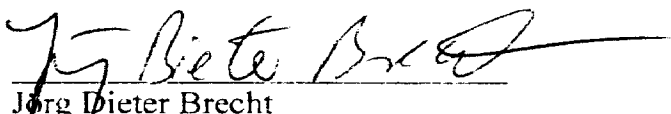
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand and seal on this 19th day of August, 2006.

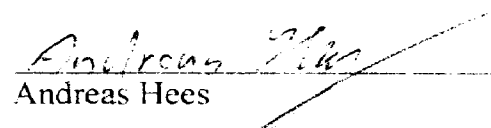

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