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A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, I, Thomas Nguyen ("Assignor", an employee of Western Tube & Conduit Corporation, a California corporation ("Assignee"), with its principal place of business at 2001 Dominguez Street, Long Beach, California 90801, developed the inventions, patents and patent applications entitled APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATIC SWAGING OF TUBES (hereinafter referred to as I.P.) which relate to Assignee's business and resulted from the work performed for Assignee;

WHEREAS, Assignee is desirous of acquiring the entire and exclusive right, title and interest in and to the said I.P. in the United States and throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, Assignor, by these presents does hereby assign, transfer and set over unto the said Assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said I.P., in the United States and throughout the world, and in and to any Patents which may be granted and issued therefor, and in and to any continuations, continuations-in-part, divisions, reissues and extensions of said Patents and all international rights or priority associated therewith; and I further agree to sign all papers and perform all acts, without any further compensation but at no cost or expense to me, as said Assignee may deem necessary to make this Assignment fully effective, and to execute all papers and do all other lawful acts that may reasonably be required by Assignee in order to make or prosecute applications for patent of the United States and of any and all other countries, including the execution of any and all original, reissue, divisional, continuation, and continuations-in-part of United States and foreign patent applications, or that may be required to vest ownership of such applications and patents in Assignee, or to maintain, preserve or enforce the rights of Assignee in

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And I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue the said United States Letters Patent to said Assignee, its successors and assigns.

Dated: November 14, 2006


Thomas Nguyen

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On this date November 14, 2006, before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared **Thomas Nguyen**, known to me or satisfactorily proven to be the person whose name is subscribed to this instrument. This person acknowledged to me that he signed and executed this instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Darlene J. Saragosa

