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Daniel W. Price	01/19/2007
Christopher W. Widenhouse	01/19/2007
Craig N. Faller	01/25/2007
Bennie Thompson	01/19/2007
John W. Sheets Jr.	03/12/2007

RECEIVING PARTY DATA

Name:	Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc.
Street Address:	4545 Creek Road
City:	Cincinnati
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PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 1

Property Type	Number
Application Number:	11558599

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DOCKET NO. END-5874USNP-0546603

Serial No. 11/558,599

Filed November 10, 2006

WHEREAS, we, James W. Voegele, a citizen of the United States, residing at 11486 Kemperknoll Lane, Cincinnati 45249, County of Hamilton, and State of Ohio; Wells D. Haberstich, a citizen of the United States, residing at 707 Deer Trail Court, Loveland 45140, County of HAMILTON, and State of Ohio; J. Charles Hueil, a citizen of the United States, residing at 11611 Thistlehill Drive, City of Loveland 45140, County of Hamilton, and State of Ohio; John V. Hunt, a citizen of the United States, residing at 3654 Moorhill Drive, Cincinnati 45241, County of Hamilton, and State of Ohio; Ronald J. Kolata, a citizen of the United States, residing at 11316 Gideon Lane, Cincinnati 45249, County of Hamilton, and State of Ohio; Anil K. Nalagatla, a citizen of the United States, residing at 4653 Sarah Drive, Mason 45040, County of Warren, and State of Ohio; Daniel W. Price, a citizen of the United States, residing at 185 Overlook Drive, Loveland 45140, County of HAMILTON, and State of Ohio; Christopher W. Widenhouse, a citizen of the United States, residing at 1005 Arabian Run Drive, Clarksville 45113, County of Clinton, and State of Ohio; Craig N. Faller, a citizen of the United States, residing at 5690 East Day Circle, Milford 45150, County of Clermont, and State of Ohio; Bennie Thompson, a citizen of the United States, residing at 9422 Oakhurst Court, Cincinnati 45241, County of Hamilton, and State of Ohio; and John W. Sheets, Jr., a citizen of the United States, residing at 5 Lockwood Drive, Bridgewater 08807, County of SOMERSET, and State of New Jersey, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNORS"), have made certain new and useful inventions or discoveries relating to a FORM IN PLACE FASTENERS, for which we have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on the 10th day of November 2006, and

WHEREAS, Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc., a corporation formed under the laws of the State of Ohio, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring Assignors' entire rights, title, and interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other valuable considerations to them moving, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignors have sold, assigned, and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee their entire right, title and interest in and to all said inventions and discoveries disclosed in said application whose identification above by serial number and filing date, when available is hereby authorized, and in and to said application, all substitutions, divisions, and continuations thereof, and in and to all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, that may be granted for said inventions and discoveries, and in and to all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof, 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 Assignors if this Assignment and sale had not been made;

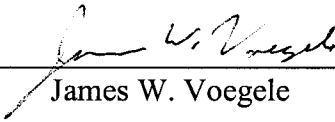
And Assignors hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors covenant and agree with said Assignee that they have a full and unencumbered title to the inventions and discoveries above described and hereby assigned, which title they warrant unto said Assignee, its successors and assigns;

And for the consideration aforesaid, Assignors further covenant and agree that they will, whenever requested, but without cost to them promptly communicate to said Assignee or its representatives any facts known to him relating to said inventions and discoveries, testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said inventions and discoveries, and execute any additional papers that may be necessary to enable said Assignee or its representatives, successors, nominees, or assigns to secure full and complete protection for the said inventions and discoveries or that may be necessary to vest in said Assignee the complete title to the said inventions and discoveries and patents hereby conveyed and to enable it to record said title.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 25th day of JANUARY, 2007.

(L.S.)

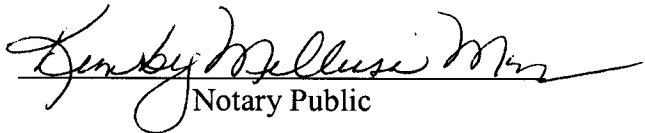

James W. Voegelé

STATE OF OHIO)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 25th day of JANUARY, 2007, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared James W. Voegelé, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



KIMBERLY MELLISSA MOSES
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
September 23, 2011


Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 19th day of January, 2007.

(L.S.)

Wells D. Haberstick
Wells D. Haberstick

STATE OF OHIO)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 19th day of January, 2007, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Wells D. Haberstick, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



KIMBERLY MELLISSA MOSES
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
September 23, 2011

Kimberly Mellissa Moses
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 29 day of JANUARY, 2007.

(L.S.)

J. Charles Hueil
J. Charles Hueil

STATE OF OHIO)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 29 day of January, 2007, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared J. Charles Hueil, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



LINDA F. HANSEN
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
July 11, 2008

Linda F. Hansen
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 19th day of January, 2007.

(L.S.)

[Signature]
John V. Hunt

STATE OF OHIO)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 19th day of JANUARY, 2007, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared John V. Hunt, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



KIMBERLY MELLISSA MOSES
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
September 23, 2011

[Signature]
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 19th day of JANUARY, 2007.

(L.S.)

[Signature]
Ronald J. Kolata

STATE OF OHIO)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 19th day of JANUARY, 2007, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Ronald J. Kolata, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



KIMBERLY MELLISSA MOSES
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
September 23, 2011

[Signature]
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 18th day of January, 2007.

(L.S.)

Anil Nalagatla
Anil K. Nalagatla

STATE OF OHIO)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 18 day of January, 2007, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Anil K. Nalagatla, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



LINDA F. HANSEN
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
July 11, 2008

Linda F. Hansen
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 19TH day of JANUARY, 2007.

(L.S.)

Daniel W. Price
Daniel W. Price

STATE OF OHIO)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 19TH day of JANUARY, 2007, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Daniel W. Price, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



KIMBERLY MELLISSA MOSES
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
September 23, 2011

Kimberly Melissa Moses
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 19th day of JANUARY, 2007.

(L.S.)

Christopher W. Widenhouse

STATE OF OHIO)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 19th day of JANUARY, 2007, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Christopher W. Widenhouse, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



KIMBERLY MELLISSA MOSES
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
September 23, 2011

Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 25th day of JANUARY, 2007.

(L.S.)

Craig N. Faller

STATE OF OHIO)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 25th day of JANUARY, 2007, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Craig N. Faller, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



KIMBERLY MELLISSA MOSES
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
September 23, 2011

Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 19 day of January, 2007.

(L.S.)

Bennie Thompson
Bennie Thompson

STATE OF OHIO)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 19 day of January, 2007, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Bennie Thompson, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



KIMBERLY MELLISSA MOSES
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires
September 23, 2011

Kimberly Mellissa Moses
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 12TH day of MARCH, 2007.

(L.S.)

John W. Sheets Jr.
John W. Sheets Jr.

STATE OF ~~OHIO~~ NEW JERSEY)
) ss:
 SOMERSET)
COUNTY OF ~~HAMILTON~~)

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 12TH day of MARCH, 2007, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared John W. Sheets Jr., who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

Anna Buongiovanni
Notary Public

ANNA BUONGIOVANNI
Notary Public, State of New Jersey
Commission Expires March 8, 2009

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Voegele et al.

Application No./Patent No.: 11/558,599 Filed/Issue Date: November 10, 2006

Entitled: FORM IN PLACE FASTENERS

Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc., a an Ohio corporation
(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

- 1. the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
- 2. an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest
(The extent (by percentage) of its ownership interest is _____ %)

in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either:

A. An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

B. A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as follows:

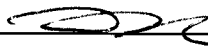
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Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet.

As required by 37 CFR 3.73(b)(1)(i), the documentary evidence of the chain of title from the original owner to the assignee was, or concurrently is being, submitted for recordation pursuant to 37 CFR 3.11.

[NOTE: A separate copy (i.e., a true copy of the original assignment document(s)) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, to record the assignment in the records of the USPTO. See MPEP 302.08]

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.



 Signature

 Dean A. Garner
 Printed or Typed Name

 Assistant Secretary
 Title

 13 Feb 07
 Date

 Telephone Number

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 3.73(b). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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