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ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION  
TO  
RELIANCE ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL COMPANY

WHEREAS, Robert E. Ward of Simpsonville, State of South Carolina (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "said inventor"), has invented certain new and useful improvements in CORROSION RESISTANT ANTIFRICTION BEARING AND METHOD FOR MAKING SAME which invention (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "said invention") has been disclosed to and filed, under Docket No. 98RE040, in the patent files of inventor's employer, RELIANCE ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL COMPANY., and which invention is covered by a patent application, executed and filed concurrently herewith in the Patent and Trademark Office for the United States of America.

NOW THEREFORE, it is agreed that, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, said inventor has sold, assigned and transferred and by these present does sell, assign and transfer unto RELIANCE ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL COMPANY, the entire right, title and interest in said invention in the United States of America and all foreign countries and in and to said U.S. patent application and all divisions, substitutions, continuations and continuations-in-part thereof, and in all United States Letters Patents which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and in all priority rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property for every member country, and in all applications for patents (including related rights such as utility-model registrations, inventor's certificates, and the like) heretofore or hereafter filed for said invention in any foreign countries, and in all patents (including all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof) granted for said invention; said applications and patents to be held and enjoyed by the said RELIANCE ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL COMPANY, for its own use and for the use of its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term for which Letters Patent on same may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by said inventor had this assignment and sale not been made.

FURTHER, said inventor hereby agrees to sign all lawful papers necessary or helpful in obtaining patents on said invention or in filing any divisional, continuation, substitution, or reissue patent application or re-examination proceedings on said invention whether in the United States of America or in any foreign country.

Executed at 6040 Ponders Ct., Greenville, SC this 21<sup>st</sup> day  
of MAY, 1998.

  
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Robert E. Ward, Inventor

State of South Carolina)  
County of Greenville)

On this 21 day of May, 1998, before me personally appeared Robert E. Ward to me known to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledge to me that he executed the same.

Nutter B. Woods  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: 7/14/98

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