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SELL, ASSIGN AND TRANSFER to National-Oilwell, L.P. (the "Assignee"), having a place of business at 10000 Richmond Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77042, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent, which was filed on **September 21, 2005** and accorded **Serial No. 11/231,712** and is entitled "**PIPE RACKING SYSTEM**", such application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other applications for patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of such improvements; all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on such improvements; and specifically including the right to file foreign applications under the provisions of any convention or treaty and claim priority based on such application in the United States, including the right to claim priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Ser. No. 60/612,026, filed September 22, 2004, entitled "Pipe Racking System";

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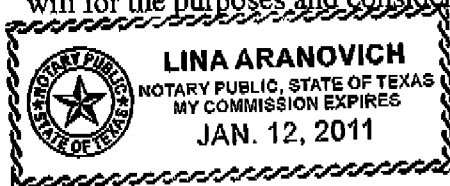
Date: 4-19-2007Name: Dwight W. RettigOfficer's Title: Vice President and General Counsel of  
National-Oilwell DHT, L.P.

STATE OF TEXAS )

) ss.

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007, personally appeared Dwight W. Rettig, Vice President and General Counsel of National-Oilwell DHT, L.P., known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.



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