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**ASSIGNMENT**

In accordance with my/our obligations under an Employee Innovation and Proprietary Information Agreement or (as applicable) arising out of other agreements (such as, but not limited to, the Services Agreement between the General Electric Company, a New York Corporation, and my employer), and/or for other good and valuable consideration of which I/we acknowledge receipt, I/we,

**Brandon Shane Gerber** of **200 Kings Chapel Church Road, Ware Shoals, SC 29692**  
**Nicholas K. Althoff** of **8 Woodlawn Dr., Ware Shoals, SC 29692**  
**Benoit Petitjean** of **Thornblade Park Apts., 1222 Delicata Lane, Greer, SC 29650**

hereby sell and assign to **General Electric Company, a New York Corporation**, (hereinafter referred to as Assignee) having an address at 1 River Road, Schenectady, New York 12345, USA, its successors and assigns my (our) entire respective right(s), title(s) and interest(s) in and to the invention and improvements invented and originated by me/us and described in the application for United States Patent currently entitled:

**BLADE HAVING A DAMPING ELEMENT AND METHOD OF FABRICATING SAME**

executed concurrently herewith,

filed on: \_\_\_\_\_, having Serial Number: \_\_\_\_\_

and any and all applications for patent and patents therefrom in any and all countries, including all divisions, continuations, reexaminations and reissues thereof, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application, and authorize and request any official whose duty it is to issue patents, to issue any patent on said inventions and improvements resulting therefrom to said Assignee, or its successors or assigns and agree that on request and without further consideration, but at the expense of said Assignee, I/we will communicate to said Assignee or its representatives or nominees any facts known to me/us respecting said inventions and improvements and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, reexamination and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid said Assignee, its successors, assigns, and nominees to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said invention and its improvements in all countries. Remuneration claims of the inventor(s)/assignor(s) potentially arising from the German Law on Employee Inventions (LEI) remain unaffected by this assignment.

INVENTOR 1

Signature: *Brandon Gerber*  
**Brandon Gerber**

Date: 03/11/2008

Witnessed by: *Stefan Herr*  
Signature

Date: 03/11/2008

Stefan Herr  
Printed Name of Witness

Witnessed by: *Edward M. Stewart*  
Signature

Date: 3/11/2008

Edward M Stewart  
Printed Name of Witness

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**Brandon Gerber** Date: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ SS.

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ before me personally came the above-named **Brandon Gerber**, to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

Seal \_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Public)

INVENTOR 2

Signature: Nicholas K. Althoff  
Nicholas K. Althoff

Date: 11 March 2008

Witnessed by: Edward M Stewart  
Signature

Date: 11 March 2008

Edward M Stewart  
Printed Name of Witness

Witnessed by: Kirk Pierce  
Signature

Date: 3/11/2008

Kirk Pierce  
Printed Name of Witness

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Nicholas K. Althoff Date: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ ss.

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ before me personally came the above-named **Nicholas K. Althoff**, to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

Seal \_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Public)

INVENTOR 3

Signature: Benoit Petitjean  
Benoit Petitjean

Date: 03/13/2008

Witnessed by: Stefan Herr  
Signature

Date: 03/15/2008

Stefan Herr  
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Witnessed by: Eric Bell  
Signature

Date: 3/13/2008

Eric Bell  
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Benoit Petitjean Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ before me personally came the above-named **Benoit Petitjean**, to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

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