

PATENT ASSIGNMENT

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Matthew C. Roney	03/06/2003
Shane A. Deters	03/05/2003
Raymond Hauser	03/06/2003
RECEIVING PARTY DATA	
Name:	Hydro-Gear Limited Partnership
Street Address:	1411 South Hamilton Street
City:	Sullivan
State/Country:	ILLINOIS
Postal Code:	61951
PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 1	
Property Type	Number
Application Number:	12275697
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For good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, Thomas J. Langenfeld of 408 W. Blackwood Street, Sullivan, Illinois 61951; Matthew C. Roney of 316 S. Worth Street, Sullivan, Illinois 61951; Shane A. Deters of 2920 Moultrie Avenue, Mattoon, Illinois 61938; Daryl Smothers of 504 E. Jackson Street, Sullivan, Illinois 61951; J. David Pratt of Rural Route #1, Box 225A, Sullivan, Illinois; and Raymond Hauser of Rural Route #3, Box 383, Sullivan, Illinois 61951, hereby sell and assign to Hydro-Gear Limited Partnership ("Assignee"), a limited partnership of Illinois, having its principal place of business at 1411 South Hamilton Street, Sullivan, Illinois 61951, U.S.A., its successors, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the invention in ZERO TURN TRANSAXLE invented by us, and the application for United States patent therefor which has been assigned application number 10/008444, the declaration, and all original and reissued patents granted therefor, and all divisions and continuations thereof, including the subject-matter of any and all claims which may be obtained in every such patent, and the right to apply for and obtain patents and Utility Model Registrations which may be granted thereon in such foreign countries, and authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and any official of any other country or countries foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue said Letters Patent or Utility Model Registration to the said Assignee, its successor, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives, as assignee of the entire interest herein assigned. We covenant that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith and agree that we will communicate to said Assignee, its successors, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives, all facts known to us respecting said invention, whenever requested, and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths, and do all lawful acts requisite for the application for such divisional, continuing, or reissue applications, or the procuring thereof, and that if and when said Assignee, its successors, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives desire to file a disclaimer relating thereto, we will, upon request, sign all lawful papers requisite for the filing of such disclaimer. We further covenant and agree that we will, at any time upon request, do everything legally possible to aid said Assignee, its successors, assignees, nominees, or other legal representatives, either in its or their own names, to apply for, obtain, and enforce proper patent and/or Utility Model protection for said invention in all countries, all without further consideration but at the expense of said Assignee, its successors, assigns, nominees, or other legal representatives.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 5 day of MARCH, 2003.

Thomas J. Langenfeld
Thomas J. Langenfeld (signature)

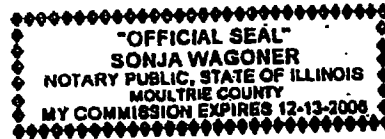
NOTARIAL CERTIFICATE

State of: Illinois)
County of: Moultrie) SS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of March, 2003.

Notary Public: Sonja Wagoner
(signature)

My commission expires: 12-13-06



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 6th day of MAR, 2003.

Matthew C. Roney
Matthew C. Roney (signature)

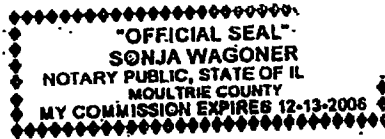
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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 5th day of MAR, 2003.

Shane A. Deters
Shane A. Deters (signature)

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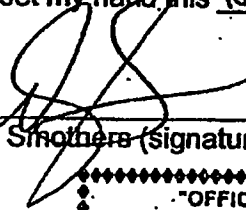
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of March, 2003.

Notary Public: Sonja Wagoner
(signature)

My commission expires: 12-13-06



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 10th day of Mar, 2003.


Daryl Smothers (signature)

NOTARIAL CERTIFICATE

State of: Illinois)
County of: Moultrie) SS.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of March, 2003.

Notary Public: Sonja Wagoner (signature) My commission expires: 12-13-06

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 7th day of Mar, 2003.


J. David Pratt (signature)

NOTARIAL CERTIFICATE

State of: Illinois)
County of: Moultrie) SS.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of March, 2003.

Notary Public: Sonja Wagoner (signature) My commission expires: 12-13-06

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 6 day of March, 2003.


Raymond Hauser (signature)

NOTARIAL CERTIFICATE

State of: Illinois)
County of: Moultrie) SS.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6 day of MARCH, 2003.

Notary Public: M. Feeler (signature) My commission expires: 3/11/06