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NATURE OF CONVEYANCE:	MERGER
EFFECTIVE DATE:	11/29/2001
CONVEYING PARTY DATA	
Name	Execution Date
Bridgestone/Firestone, Inc.	11/29/2001
RECEIVING PARTY DATA	
Name:	Bridgestone/Firestone North American Tire, LLC
Street Address:	1200 Firestone Parkway
City:	Akron
State/Country:	OHIO
Postal Code:	44317
PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 1	
Property Type	Number
Application Number:	12694777
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Bridgestone/Firestone, Inc.

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3. Nature of conveyance/Execution Date(s):

Execution Date(s) 11/29/2001

- ☐ Assignment ☒ Merger
☐ Security Agreement ☐ Change of Name
☐ Joint Research Agreement
☐ Government Interest Assignment
☐ Executive Order 9424, Confirmatory License
☐ Other _____

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Name: Bridgestone/Firestone North American Tire, LLC

Internal Address: _____

Street Address: 1200 Firestone Parkway

City: Akron

State: Ohio

Country: us Zip: 44317

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

4. Application or patent number(s):

☐ This document is being filed together with a new application.

A. Patent Application No.(s)

B. Patent No.(s)

12/694,777

Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

5. Name and address to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: Chief IP Counsel

Internal Address: _____

Street Address: 1200 Firestone Parkway

City: Akron

State: Ohio Zip: 44317

Phone Number: (330) 379-3839

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

7. Total fee (37 CFR 1.21(h) & 3.41) \$ 40.00

- ☒ Authorized to be charged to deposit account
☐ Enclosed
☐ None required (government interest not affecting title)

8. Payment Information

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Authorized User Name Thomas R. Kingsbury

9. Signature:

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Signature

03-24-2010

Date

Thomas R. Kingsbury

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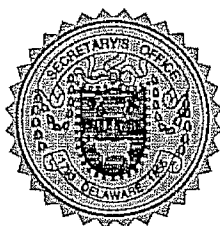
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I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF MERGER, WHICH MERGES:

"BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE, INC.", A OHIO CORPORATION,
WITH AND INTO "BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE NORTH AMERICAN TIRE, LLC" UNDER THE NAME OF "BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE NORTH AMERICAN TIRE, LLC", A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, AS RECEIVED AND FILED IN THIS OFFICE THE TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, A.D. 2001, AT 2 O'CLOCK P.M.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AFORESAID CERTIFICATE OF MERGER IS THE TWENTY-NINTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, A.D. 2001, AT 5 O'CLOCK P.M.



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AUTHENTICATION: 3622405

DATE: 01-18-05

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CERTIFICATE OF MERGER

OF

BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE, INC.
(an Ohio corporation)

STATE OF DELAWARE
SECRETARY OF STATE
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS
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INTO

BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE NORTH AMERICAN TIRE, LLC
(a Delaware limited liability company)

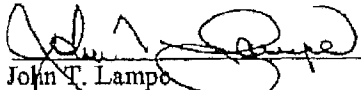
Pursuant to Section 18-209 of the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, as amended:

1. **Names and States of Organization of Constituent Entities.** Bridgestone/Firestone, Inc., a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio ("BFS"), will be merged ("Merger") with and into Bridgestone/Firestone North American Tire, LLC, a limited liability company formed under the laws of the State of Delaware ("BFNT" and, together with BFS, "Constituent Entities"), at the Effective Time (as defined in paragraph 4 below);
2. **Approval and Execution of Agreement of Merger.** An agreement of merger regarding the Merger ("Agreement of Merger") (a) has been duly approved by the board of directors of BFS and the board of managers of BFNT and by the sole shareholder of BFS and the sole member of BFNT and (b) has been duly executed by each of the Constituent Entities;
3. **Name of Surviving Entity.** The surviving entity of the Merger will be BFNT ("Surviving Entity"), and its name is "Bridgestone/Firestone North American Tire, LLC";
4. **Effective Time of Merger.** The Merger will become effective at 5:00 pm (Eastern Standard Time) on November 29, 2001 ("Effective Time");
5. **Place of Business of Surviving Entity Where Agreement of Merger Is on File.** The Agreement of Merger is on file at the offices of the Surviving Entity at One Bridgestone Park, Nashville, Tennessee 37214; and
6. **Copies of Agreement of Merger Furnished upon Request.** A copy of the Agreement of Merger will be furnished to any member of the Surviving Entity or any shareholder of BFS, without cost, upon request addressed to Bridgestone/Firestone North American Tire, LLC, One Bridgestone Park, Nashville, Tennessee 37214, Attention: Secretary.

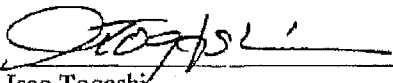
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the Constituent Entities has caused this certificate to be executed on its behalf by its duly authorized officer this 29th day of November 2001.

BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE, INC.

By: 
John T. Lampo
Chairman, CEO and President

BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE NORTH
AMERICAN TIRE, LLC

By: 
Isao Togashi
Vice Chairman and
President