



**ASSIGNMENT FOR PATENT APPLICATION**  
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WHEREAS, Michael Riedel, and Hans-Reiner Hoffmann, (hereinafter ASSIGNORS) of Kleinbahnstrasse 43, Geldern, and Landstrasse, 53A, Grevenbroich, Germany 41516; respectively, have made an invention entitled TRANSFER SYSTEM CO-OPERATING WITH A MACHINE FOR PRODUCING TOBACCO AND FILTER PRODUCT RODS AS WELL AS METHOD OF TRANSFERRING SUCH RODS WITHIN THE TRANSFER SYSTEM for which a so-entitled application for Letters Patent of the United States is being concurrently executed herewith; was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 15, 2010 under Serial No 12/659,603;

WHEREAS, International Tobacco Machinery Poland Sp. z o.o. (hereinafter ASSIGNEE), a corporation of the Country of Poland, having an office and place of business at Warsztatowa 19a, 26-600 Radom, Poland, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the said ASSIGNORS by these presents hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, ASSIGNORS' entire right, title and interest in the United States of America as defined in 35 U.S.C § 100, in and to the invention as described in the aforesaid application and to the said application and to all subsequent applications based thereon including any and all continuations, divisions, reissues, and substitutes of said application, and all resulting patents, and the ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to ASSIGNEE, for its interest as ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives. It is understood and agreed that ASSIGNEE'S attorneys Nixon & Vanderhye P.C. have represented only ASSIGNEE and will continue to represent only ASSIGNEE with respect to this invention;

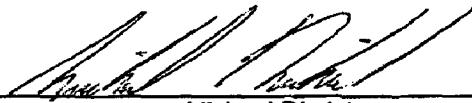
ASSIGNORS hereby agree to execute any papers by ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives, deemed essential to ASSIGNEE'S full protection and title in and to the invention hereby transferred.

AGREED and executed as noted below:

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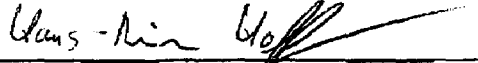
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