

PATENT ASSIGNMENT

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## EXHIBIT A – PATENT ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT

This PATENT ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT (“Assignment”) is made and entered into on October 1, 2010, (“Effective Date”) by and between Multi Hitch, LLC, a Wisconsin limited liability company, BIAS Group, LLC, a Wisconsin limited liability company, Morris Patterson, Dave Leuck, and Jeff Stevenson (collectively “Multi Hitch”), and Thor Attachments, LLC, a Wisconsin limited liability company and John Gustafson (collectively “Gustafson”).

### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Parties previously attempted to enter into various business relationships to market certain products that were subject to certain patent applications and/or registrations (collectively “Patents” as more fully identified in Paragraph 1 of this Agreement);

WHEREAS, disputes have arisen between the Parties and they have elected to terminate their business relationship and return all of the Patents to Gustafson under a Settlement Agreement and Release dated September 30, 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants made herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**1. Assignment:** To fully clear title of the Patents, Multi Hitch hereby irrevocably assigns and transfers to Gustafson, its’ successors and assigns, Multi Hitch’s entire right, title and interest in and to the following patents, and all related applications, provisional, and issued patents, reissues, substitutions, re-examinations, continuations and their product extensions, modifications, model changes, and related product developments:

1. Three-Point Hitch Faceplate  
United States Patent 7,108,475  
Appl. No.: 10/440,649  
Filing Date: May 19, 2003  
Date of Issue: September 19, 2006  
M-H #001
2. Conversion Plate with Schur-Lock Pin Mechanism  
United States Patent 7,073,972  
Appl. No.: 10/835,110  
Date of Issue: July 11, 2006  
M-H #002
3. Faceplate  
United States Patent 7,226,268  
Appl. No.: 10/877,272  
Filing Date: June 25, 2004  
Date of Issue: June 5, 2007

M-H #003

4. Conversion Plate with Self-Adjusting Locking Pin Mechanism  
Appl. No.: 60/749,787 (Provisional)  
Filing Date: December 13, 2005  
M-H #004
5. Self-adjusting Locking Pin Mechanism for Use with Conversion Plate  
Appl. No. 11/438,973  
Filing Date: May 25, 2006  
M-H #005
6. Adapter Faceplate  
Appl. No. 11/540,969  
Filing Date: September 29, 2006  
M-H #006
7. Adapter Hitch  
Appl. No. 60/880,741 (Provisional)  
Filing Date: January 17, 2007  
M-H #007
8. Loader Hitch  
Appl. No.: 60/901,018 (Provisional)  
Filing Date: February 13, 2007  
M-H #008
9. Adapter Faceplate  
United States Patent 7,648,326  
Appl. No.: 11/709,344  
Filing Date: February 21, 2007  
Date of Issue: January 19, 2010  
M-H #009

(collectively "Patents"). The Assignment further includes a transfer of all rights to sue and receive damages in connection with any claims for damages by reason of past infringement of the Patents. Multi Hitch agrees to execute any and all reasonable assignments, affidavits, and any other papers reasonably necessary to perfect Gustafson's rights in the Patents.

**2. Authorization:** Multi Hitch authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to recognize this Assignment, and to transfer all Letters Patents of the United States and all of Multi Hitch's right, title and interest in and to the inventions of the Patents to Gustafson.

**3. Applicable Law and Jurisdiction.** This Assignment shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the United States and the State of Wisconsin. Any suit related to this Assignment must be brought in the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin. The parties acknowledge that each party, in connection with the making of this Assignment, has had sufficient contacts with the state of Wisconsin so that the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin shall have personal jurisdiction over both parties to hear any action arising under this Assignment & License.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Assignment be executed as of the Effective Date.

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Insert Name and Title] Date  
On behalf of Multi Hitch, LLC

John Gustafson 10/2/10  
John Gustafson, Member Date  
On behalf of Thor Attachments, LLC

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Insert Name and Title] Date  
On behalf of Business, Improvement,  
Analysis & Solutions, LLC

John Gustafson 10/2/10  
John Gustafson Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Morris Patterson Date

Signed before me by  
John E Gustafson on the 7th  
day of October 2010

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jeff Stevenson Date

Dina R. Petrella exp 02-28-2012  
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Eau Claire Co WI

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Dave Leuck Date

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF ASSIGNMENT

STATE OF WISCONSIN )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September 2010, \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ of  
**MULTI HITCH, LLC**, to me personally known, personally appeared before me and stated that the  
foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of such company pursuant to proper authority, and  
acknowledged the execution of the instrument as the free act and deed of the company.

Notary Public  
My Commission Expires:

STATE OF WISCONSIN )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September 2010, \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ of  
**BUSINESS, IMPROVEMENT, ANALYSIS & SOLUTIONS, LLC**, to me personally known,  
personally appeared before me and stated that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of such

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Assignment be executed as of the Effective Date.

M. Patterson 10/12/10  
Morris Patterson Date  
On behalf of Multi Hitch, LLC, its  
Managing Member

John Gustafson, Member Date  
On behalf of Thor Attachments, LLC

D. Leuck 10/12/10  
Dave Leuck Date  
On behalf of Business, Improvement,  
Analysis & Solutions, LLC, its  
Managing Member

John Gustafson Date

M. Patterson 10/12/10  
Morris Patterson Date

J. Stevenson Oct 11 2010  
Jim Stevenson Date

D. Leuck 10/12/10  
Dave Leuck Date

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS OF ASSIGNMENT

STATE OF WISCONSIN )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE )

On this 12th day of October 2010, Morris Patterson the Managing Member of **MULTI HITCH, LLC**, to me personally known, personally appeared before me and stated that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of such company pursuant to proper authority, and acknowledged the execution of the instrument as the free act and deed of the company.

Notary Public [Signature]  
My Commission ~~Expires~~ is Permanent.

STATE OF WISCONSIN )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE )

On this 12th day of October 2010, Dave Leuck, the Managing Member of **BUSINESS, IMPROVEMENT, ANALYSIS & SOLUTIONS, LLC**, to me personally known, personally appeared before me and stated that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of such

company pursuant to proper authority, and acknowledged the execution of the instrument as the free act and deed of the company.

Notary Public *Arnold K. Hart*  
My Commission ~~Expires~~ is Permanent.

STATE OF WISCONSIN                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE                    )

On this 12th day of October 2010, **Morris Patterson**, to me personally known, personally appeared before me and stated that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of himself individually, and acknowledged the execution of the instrument as the free act undertaken by his personal choice.

Notary Public *Arnold K. Hart*  
My Commission ~~Expires~~ is Permanent.

STATE OF WISCONSIN                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE                    )

On this 12th day of October 2010, **Dave Leuck**, to me personally known, personally appeared before me and stated that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of himself individually, and acknowledged the execution of the instrument as the free act undertaken by his personal choice.

Notary Public *Arnold K. Hart*  
My Commission ~~Expires~~ is Permanent.

STATE OF WISCONSIN                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF LA CROSSE                    )

On this 11th day of October 2010, **Jeff Stevenson**, to me personally known, personally appeared before me and stated that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of himself individually, and acknowledged the execution of the instrument as the free act undertaken by his personal choice.

Notary Public *Arnold K. Hart*  
My Commission ~~Expires~~ is Permanent.

STATE OF WISCONSIN )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF Fau Claire )

On this 24th day of ~~September~~ October 2010, John Gustafson, a member of **THOR ATTACHMENTS, LLC**, to me personally known, personally appeared before me and stated that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of such company pursuant to proper authority, and acknowledged the execution of the instrument as the free act and deed of the company.

*Dina A. Pastorello*  
Notary Public *Dina A. Pastorello*  
My Commission Expires: 02-26-2012

STATE OF WISCONSIN )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF Fau Claire )  
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On this 24th day of September 2010, John Gustafson, to me personally known, personally appeared before me and stated that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of himself individually, and acknowledged the execution of the instrument as the free act undertaken by his personal choice.

*Dina A. Pastorello*  
Notary Public *Dina A. Pastorello*  
My Commission Expires: 02-26-2012