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CONFIRMATORY GRANT OF SECURITY INTEREST IN UNITED STATES PATENTS

THIS CONFIRMATORY GRANT OF SECURITY INTEREST IN UNITED STATES PATENTS (as the same may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, this “Confirmatory Grant of Security Interest”) is made effective as of April 10, 2015 by and from Northern Tool & Equipment Company, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (the “Grantor”), to and in favor of Wells Fargo Bank, National Association (together with its successors and assigns, the “Lender”), for itself and for the Secured Parties (as defined in the Credit Agreement referenced below) (in such capacities, the “Grantee”).

WHEREAS, the Grantor, the other Loan Parties and the Grantee have entered into a Credit Agreement dated as of the date hereof (as may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the “Credit Agreement”).

WHEREAS, the Grantor has entered into a Pledge and Security Agreement dated as of the date hereof (as may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the “Security Agreement”).

WHEREAS, the Grantor owns the patents listed on Exhibit A attached hereto (the “Patents”), which Patents are pending or registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

WHEREAS, this Confirmatory Grant of Security Interest is executed in conjunction with the security interest granted under the Security Agreement to the Grantee for the benefit of the Secured Parties. The rights and remedies of the Grantee with respect to the security interest granted herein are without prejudice to and are in addition to those set forth in the Security Agreement and the other Loan Documents, all terms and provisions of which are incorporated herein by reference. In the event that any provisions of this Confirmatory Grant of Security Interest are deemed to conflict with the Security Agreement, the provisions of the Security Agreement shall govern.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, it is hereby agreed that:

1. Definitions. All capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the respective meaning given to them in the Credit Agreement.

2. Security Interest.

(a) This Confirmatory Grant of Security Interest is made to secure the satisfactory performance and payment of (i) all the Secured Obligations and (ii) all of the obligations and liabilities of each Loan Guarantor under the Loan Guaranty. Upon the payment in full of all Secured Obligations (other than Unliquidated Obligations), the Grantee shall promptly, upon such satisfaction, execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the Grantor all reasonably requested instruments in writing releasing the security interest in the Patents acquired under the Security Agreement and this Confirmatory Grant of Security Interest.

(b) The Grantor hereby pledges and grants to the Grantee, on behalf of and for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a security interest in all of Grantor’s right, title and interest, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, in and to (1) its patents and patent applications and all continuations, divisionals, continuations-in-part, re-examinations, reissues, and renewals thereof and improvements

thereon; (2) all licenses of the foregoing, whether as licensee or licensor; (3) all renewals of the foregoing; (4) all income, royalties, damages, and payments now or hereafter due or payable with respect thereto, including, without limitation, damages, claims, and payments for past and future infringements thereof; and (5) all rights to sue for past, present, and future infringements of the foregoing, including the right to settle suits involving claims and demands for royalties owing.

3. Governing Law. **THIS CONFIRMATORY GRANT OF SECURITY INTEREST SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED BY THE LAW OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has executed this Confirmatory Grant of Security Interest effective as of the date first written above.

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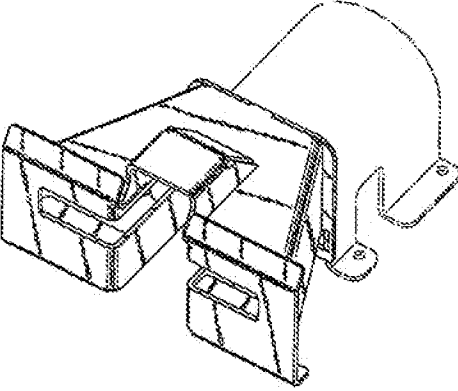
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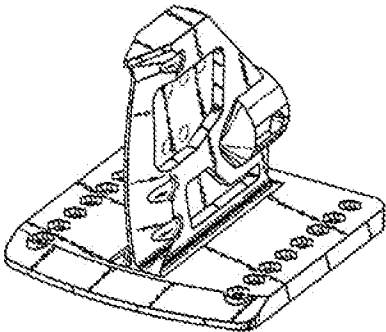
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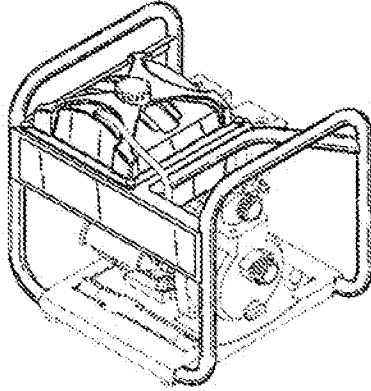
U.S. Patents for Northern Tool and Equipment			
Patent No.	Issue Date	Expiration Date	Brief Description of Covered Subject Matter
US 5,979,788	11/09/1999	11/21/2016	A valve assembly suitable for use on a pressure washer pump. The valve assembly includes an unloader valve having an inlet port connected directly to the pressure washer pump. The unloader valve also includes an outlet port coupled with a release mechanism. The unloader valve further includes a bypass port coupled with the pressure washer pump. Finally, the valve assembly also includes a thermal relief valve connected directly to the unloader valve at a location opposite from the bypass port.
US D543,606	05/29/2007	5/21/2021	<p>Title -- Broadcast Spray Nozzle. Design Patent -- Representative Drawing:</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">FIG. 1</p>
US 5,957,429	09/28/1999	07/22/2018	An improved prying bar includes an elongate shank, a prying hook at one end and a prying chisel at the other end. The prying hook has a tapered portion extending at an angle with the longitudinal axis and a generally U-shaped portion integrally formed with the shank and the tapered portion. The tapered and U-shaped portions together form a prying footprint surface facing a direction away from the shank. The angle is greater than 90° and preferably within the range of 93°-110°. The prying footprint has a minimum transverse dimension which is substantially greater than the minimum cross sectional dimension of the shank.

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Patent No.	Issue Date	Expiration Date	Brief Description of Covered Subject Matter
US 6,257,553	07/10/2001	09/27/2019	An improved prying bar includes an elongate shank, a prying hook at one end and a prying chisel at the other end. The prying hook has a tapered portion extending at an angle with the longitudinal axis and a generally U-shaped portion integrally formed with the shank and the tapered portion. The tapered and U-shaped portions together form a prying footprint surface facing a direction away from the shank. The angle is greater than 90° and preferably within the range of 93°-110°. The prying footprint has a minimum transverse dimension which is substantially greater than the minimum cross sectional dimension of the shank.
US D566,733	04/15/2008	4/15/2022	<p>Title – Log Stripper. Design Patent – Representative Drawing:</p>  <p>Fig. 1</p>

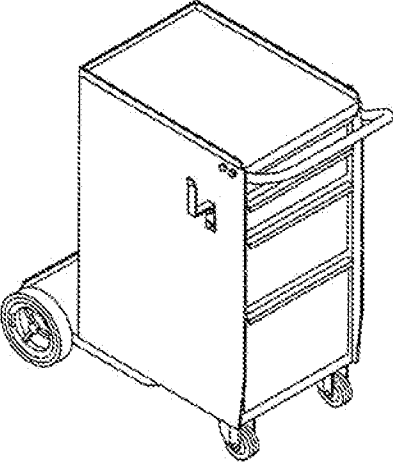
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Patent No.	Issue Date	Expiration Date	Brief Description of Covered Subject Matter
US D552,133	10/02/2007		<p>Title: Wedge for Log Splitter. Design Patent -- Representative Drawing:</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Fig. 1</p>
US 7,255,143	08/14/2007	07/21/2026	<p>A uniquely configured quad wedge [for a log splitter] allows for the creation of a tip-up log splitter that is capable of multiple splits in a single stroke of the drive mechanism. The quad wedge is attached to the piston of a hydraulic cylinder, and is slidably mounted to a framework to allow for movement through a splitting zone. The quad wedge further includes a main splitting blade, along with a pair of splitting wings extending outwardly in a perpendicular manner. The blades each have structures on the ends thereof which are configured to help contain a log during splitting operations, thus avoiding undesired movement or wandering. The log splitter further includes a stripper mechanism positioned near the cylinder housing to allow jammed logs to be easily removed, which includes a recess to house the quad wedge when retracted. A jammed log will necessarily contact the stripper mechanism, causing it to be removed from the blade.</p>

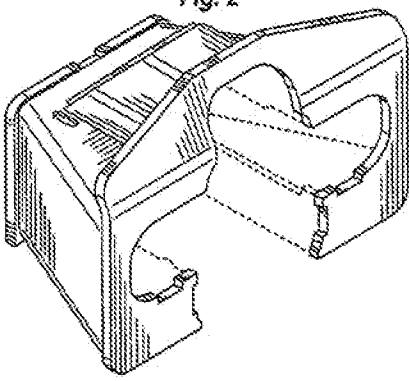
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Patent No.	Issue Date	Expiration Date	Brief Description of Covered Subject Matter
US 7,814,945	10/19/2010	03/13/2028	<p>A log splitter comprises a support structure having a first end, a second end, and an open center portion defined therebetween, a splitting device slidably coupled to the support structure, and a drive mechanism for driving movement of the splitting device through a splitting zone. The splitting device comprises an elongate beam having an outer surface, a first end, a second end, and an open center portion between the first end and the second end, and a splitting wedge coupled to the outer surface of the elongate beam and having at least one splitting surface formed thereon. The elongate beam is disposed within the open center portion of the support structure. The drive mechanism is disposed within the open center portion of the elongate beam, and is coupled on a first end to the first end of the support structure and on a second end to the second end of the elongate beam.</p>
US D618,707	06/29/2010	06/29/2024	<p>Title -- Extended Run Water Pump. Design Patent -- Representative Drawing:</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Fig. 1</p>

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Patent No.	Issue Date	Expiration Date	Brief Description of Covered Subject Matter
US D629,028	12/14/2010	12/14/2024	<p>Title -- Welding Cart. Design Patent -- Representative Drawing:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Fig. 1</i></p> 
US 8,893,855	11/25/2014	12/23/2031	<p>A bearing-protection device for protecting and lubricating bearings, as for wheel hubs in a 4 wheel drive vehicle. The bearing-protection device provides positive indication of lubrication levels provided to the bearings and includes a protector housing defining a lubrication chamber. The device also includes a piston assembly movable within the lubrication chamber, the piston assembly biased in a direction generally toward the proximal end of the bearing protector housing, and a viewing window defined in the outer wall of the bearing protector housing. Indicia associated with the piston is viewable through the viewing window to indicate a level of lubricant within the chamber.</p>

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Patent No.	Issue Date	Expiration Date	Brief Description of Covered Subject Matter
US D709,932	07/29/2014	07/29/2028	<p>Title -- Log Splitter Wedge Housing. Design Patent -- Representative Drawing:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Fig. 2</i></p> 

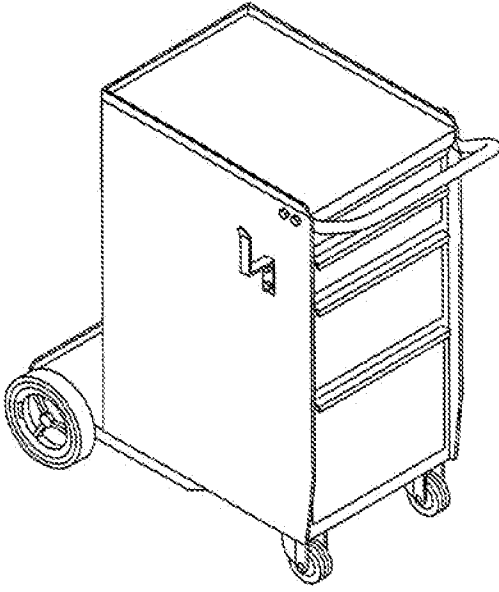
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Patent No.	Issue Date	Expiration Date	Brief Description of Covered Subject Matter
US 6,027,055	02/22/2000	01/28/2018	A brush chipper for chipping wood and debris into smaller pieces. The chipper includes a feed hopper for inserting the material, and upper and lower feed rollers that prepare the material for chipping in the main body of the brush chipper by a chipper disc and bed knife. Debris that collects in a chamber below the lower feed roller is vacuumed out into the main chipper body by fan blades attached to the chipper disc. Components of the brush chipper requiring frequent maintenance, including the disc components and bed knives, are easily accessed because of hinges that allow the feed hopper and the upper body of the brush chipper to swing open.
US 6,435,432	08/20/2002	08/09/2020	A brush chipper that enables easy and ready access to frequently maintained areas of the chipper comprises a chipper-knife assembly, a feed-roller assembly, and a sliding apparatus that allows the feed-roller assembly to move away from the chipper-knife assembly. This sliding apparatus, preferably, includes at least one track and at least one friction-reducing apparatus. The brush chipper preferably includes a chipper-knife assembly that comprises a knife with at least one threaded opening for attaching the knife to a support. To attach the knife to the support, a bolt threads through the support to secure the knife. The bolt includes a head and a stem, and the support is positioned between the knife and the head of the bolt.

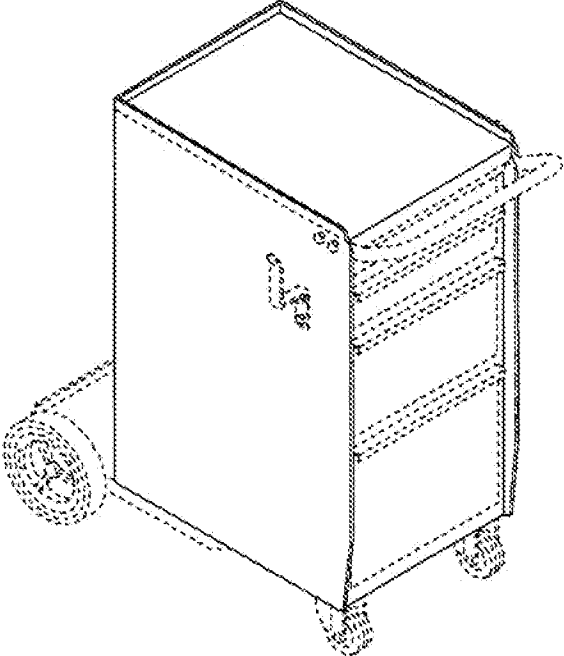
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Application No.	Application Priority Date	Brief Description of Claimed Subject Matter
13/491,499	06/07/2012	A diaphragm pump having an improved wobble plate and cam/bearing assembly for increased pump life and improved inlet and outlet valve design for increased effective sealing area. A cam/bearing assembly includes a cam injection molded directly into an inner race of a bearing to prevent the cam from pulling away from the bearing. The wobble plate is injection molded directly onto an outer race of the bearing to prevent the wobble plate from pulling away from the cam and bearing. Inlet and outlet check valves include rounded peripheral relief zones that form a band, as opposed to a line, of effective sealing area when in the sealed position within a valve seat that eliminate or reduce sealing inconsistencies and increase sealing efficiencies.
14/328,182	07/10/2013	A timberjack including a handle, and a jacking stand coupled to the handle, the jacking stand comprising a first portion and a second portion, wherein the first portion is arranged to engage the ground, and wherein the second portion is coupled to the first portion and extends downwardly from the handle to elevate a portion of the handle from the ground.

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Application No.	Application Priority Date	Brief Description of Claimed Subject Matter
29/421,500	12/14/2010	<p>Reissue of US D629,028 -- Original claims -- Representative Drawing:</p> <p><i>Fig. 1</i></p> 

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Application No.	Application Priority Date	Brief Description of Claimed Subject Matter
29/492,097	12/14/2010	<p>Reissue of US D629,028 - Broadened claim - Representative Drawing:</p> <p>Fig. 7</p> 

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