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ASSIGNMENT

Pursuant to our obligation to A. O. Smith Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), a Delaware corporation having its principal place of business at:

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and for other valuable and sufficient consideration, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,
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("Assignors") confirm our obligation to and hereby irrevocably transfer, assign and convey unto Assignee, and its successors and assigns, our entire worldwide right, title, and interest, free and clear of all liens, encumbrances or other obligations:

(1) in and to a new, original and ornamental design, depicted, claimed, or otherwise disclosed ("the Inventions") in the design patent application titled "AIR INLET DAMPER," for which United States Patent Application No. 29/ 535,582 (Atty. File No. 010121-8665-US05) was filed on August 7, 2015 (hereinafter "the U.S. design application");

(2) in and to the U.S. design application and all other patent applications now or hereafter filed in the United States of America (including, without limitation, any non-provisional, divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, reexamination, and reissue applications) based upon the design or claiming the benefit of or priority to the U.S. design application or any other patent application assigned under this Assignment, including all rights of priority based on such applications and the right to file such applications in the name of the Assignee, and any and all patents granted thereon to the full end of the term or terms for which said patents may be granted;

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(4) in and to all patent applications or other applications of any kind or nature relating to the protection of intellectual and industrial property rights now or hereafter filed under the Paris Convention for the Protection Of Industrial Property, the Patent Cooperation Treaty, and all other international conventions, agreements, treaties or laws relating to the protection of intellectual and industrial property based upon the Inventions or claiming the benefit of or priority to the U.S. design application or any other patent application assigned under this Assignment, including all rights of priority based on such applications and the right to file such applications in the name of the Assignee, and any and all patents granted thereon to the full end of the terms for which said patents may be granted;

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Assignors hereby authorize the assignee or attorney of record to insert in the appropriate place in this document the application number and filing date of our application after execution of this Assignment. Assignors hereby agrees that Assignors will, upon demand of Assignee, its successors, assigns, or legal representatives, and without further consideration to Assignors, execute any and all papers and do all other lawful acts that may be deemed necessary by Assignee, its successors, assigns, or legal representatives, to complete fulfillment of the intent and purposes of this Assignment in any country throughout the world. Any expenses incident to the execution of such papers and performance of such acts shall be paid by the Assignee, its successors, assigns, or legal representatives.

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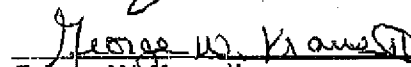
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