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**COMBINATION DECLARATION AND ASSIGNMENT  
FOR UTILITY AND DESIGN APPLICATIONS**

United States Patent Rights Plus  
All Foreign Rights

**INVENTION TITLE:**

**SINGLE TUBE CRUTCH AND METHOD OF NESTING AND PACKAGING THE SAME**

**DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.63:**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

This declaration is directed to the application attached hereto, OR, if the application is not attached hereto, the application is as identified by the attorney docket number as set forth above and/or the following:

United States Application Number 15/214,834;

Which was filed on 07/20/2016.

The above-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me.

I believe that I am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of the claimed invention in the application.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

**ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHTS AND AGREEMENT:**

**WHEREAS**, as a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I have invented certain new and useful improvements described in the application identified; and

**WHEREAS**, Medline Industries, Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Illinois, having its principal place of business at One Medline Place, Mundelein, IL 60060-4486 (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring my entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, and in and to the said application and any Letters Patent that may issue thereon;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives my entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to said applications and all patents which may be granted therefore, and all provisionals, nonprovisionals, continuations, continuations-in-part, divisionals, designs, appeals, reissues, substitutions and extensions thereof; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents for said invention, or patents resulting therefrom, insofar as my interest is concerned, to the said ASSIGNEE of my entire right, title and interest.

I also hereby sell and assign to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives the full and exclusive rights, title and interest to the invention disclosed in said applications throughout the world, including the right to file applications and obtain patents, utility models, industrial models and designs for said invention in its own name throughout the world including all rights of priority, all rights to publish cautionary notices reserving ownership of said invention and all rights to register said invention in appropriate registries; and

I further agree to execute any and all powers of attorney, applications, assignments, declarations, affidavits, and any other papers in connection therewith necessary to perfect such rights, title and interest in ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives. This includes executing all papers necessary in connection with this application and any continuing, divisional, conversion or reissue applications thereof, and also to execute separate assignments that may be necessary in connection with such applications, as the ASSIGNEE may deem necessary or expedient. I further agree to execute all papers and documents and to perform any act that may be necessary in connection with claims or provisions of the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements, and to perform all affirmative acts which may be necessary to obtain a grant of (a) valid United States of America patent(s) or a grant of (a) valid United States of America and any foreign patent(s) to the ASSIGNEE, and to vest all rights therein hereby conveyed to said ASSIGNEE as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the undersigned if this Assignment and sale had not been made.

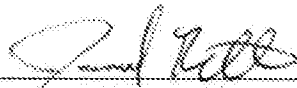
I hereby further agree that I will communicate to said ASSIGNEE, or its successors, assigns and legal representatives, any facts known to me respecting any improvements; and, at the expense of said ASSIGNEE, to testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all provisional, nonprovisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, design, appeals, reissue and substitute applications, make all lawful oaths, and generally do everything possible to vest title in said ASSIGNEE and to aid said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries.

I further authorize and direct the ASSIGNEE and its attorneys to insert above the serial number and filing date of said application now identified as Atty. Docket No. BPMDL0122JR (11650U) as soon as the same shall have been made known to them by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and/or to insert any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The undersigned hereby covenants that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment of not more than five (5) years, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18 day of July, 2016.

  
Name: Joseph Ritter  
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STATE OF Illinois )  
COUNTY OF Lake ) ss.

On this 18 day of July, 2016, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Joseph Ritter, known by me to be the person of the above name who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the same to be his own free act and deed.

  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: June 28, 2018

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