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## DECLARATION AND ASSIGNMENT

### SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RECOMPRESSING ROUND BALES INTO SQUARE BALES

Application Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Filing Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
which claims priority based on application number 62/566,717, filed October 2, 2017

#### DECLARATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

- (1) The above-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me;
- (2) I believe that I am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application;
- (3) I acknowledge that any willful false statement made in this declaration is punishable under 18 U.S.C. 1001 by fine or imprisonment of not more than five (5) years, or both;
- (4) I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above; and
- (5) I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for 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

For good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I, as a below named inventor, hereby confirm any prior assignment (whether in writing or by operation of law) of my right, title, and interest in any invention in the above-identified application and improvements thereof (the "Invention") to **Deere & Company, a Delaware corporation**, (the "Assignee") or its affiliate and, to the extent not already assigned to Assignee or its affiliate, hereby irrevocably assign all right, title, and interest I may have in the Invention to Assignee.

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