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MH Ref No.: 40838-00031

**DECLARATION AND ASSIGNMENT
FOR U.S. UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION**

Attorney Docket No.: 40838-00031

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

This declaration is directed to the application entitled:

TRAILER COUPLING HAVING A RECEIVING SLEEVE
(TITLE)

(check only one item below)

☐ attached hereto,

OR

☒ For which International Application No. PCT/EP2016/063956 was filed on June 16, 2016; and German Application No. 20 2015 103 207.2 was filed on June 17, 2015; and any subsequent applications filed in connection with the above invention (the "Patent").

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 a claimed invention in the above-identified application.

I hereby 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.

WHEREAS, WESTFALIA-AUTOMOTIVE GMBH, having a place of business at Am Sandberg 45, Rheda-Wiedenbrück, Germany 33378, hereinafter referred to as "Assignee," is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the Patent;

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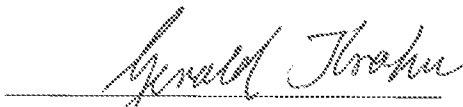
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THIS DECLARATION AND ASSIGNMENT, has been executed below by the undersigned:

Legal Name of Inventor: **Gerald KROHN**

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Date: November 28, 2017

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