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Property Type	Number
Application Number:	17124824

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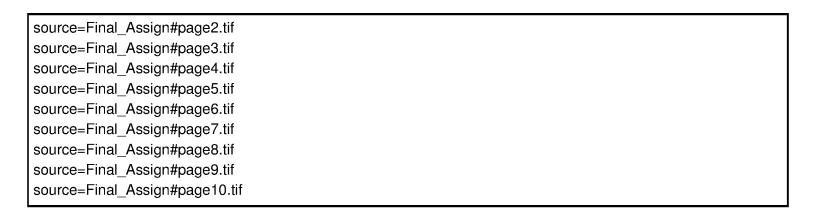
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WHEREAS, I, Michael James Brick, have invented certain new and useful improvements disclosed in an application for United States Letters Patent, identified as:

Title of Application: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RAILROAD TIE

MANAGEMENT

U.S. Application No.: 17/124,824

Filing Date: December 17, 2020

WHEREAS, BNSF Railway Company, (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), a State of Delaware corporation, with an address of 2500 Lou Menk Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76131, desires to acquire my entire right, title, and interest in and to the invention, and in and to the 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 agree to assign and hereby assign to Assignee, all right, title, and interest in and to the invention and in and to the application and all patents which may be granted therefor, and all future applications throughout the world that may claim priority to said application, including but not limited to divisions, reexaminations, reissues, continuations, continuations-in-part, and extensions thereof, and all rights and remedies associated therewith including the right to sue for and recover past damages and to recover under 35 U.S.C. § 154 (d), or any other law permitting remedies for infringement prior to issuance of the patent; 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 our interest is concerned, to Assignee. I also agree to assign and hereby assign to Assignee, all right, title, and interest to the invention disclosed in said application 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 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 right, title, and interest in Assignee.

AND I HEREBY covenant and agree that I will communicate to Assignee any facts known to us respecting any improvements; and, at the expense of Assignee, I will testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, reissue, and substitute applications, make lawful oaths and declarations, and generally do everything possible to vest title in Assignee and to aid Assignee to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries. I authorize Assignee's representative to fill in the foregoing blanks for the application number and the filing date once that information becomes

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Fort Worth, Texas 76131

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WHEREAS, I, **Samuel Minton**, have invented certain new and useful improvements disclosed in an application for United States Letters Patent, identified as:

Title of Application: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RAILROAD TIE MANAGEMENT

U.S. Application No.: 17/124,824

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Samuel Minton 108 East Birchwood Brandon, South Dakota 57005

WHEREAS, I, Christopher Neil Pickard, have invented certain new and useful improvements disclosed in an application for United States Letters Patent, identified as:

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**MANAGEMENT** 

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 11th day of January , 20 21 .

Inventor Signature:

Christopher Neil Pickard 811 Treeline Drive Argyle, Texas 76226

WHEREAS, I, **Phillip Hunt**, have invented certain new and useful improvements disclosed in an application for United States Letters Patent, identified as:

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this <u>5th</u> day of January , 2021 .

Inventor Signature: Phillip Hunt

Phillip Hunt 1213 Alnwick Lane Saginaw, Texas 76131

WHEREAS, I, Justin Lee Devine, have invented certain new and useful improvements disclosed in an application for United States Letters Patent, identified as:

Title of Application:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RAILROAD TIE

MANAGEMENT

U.S. Application No.:

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 28 day of November , 20 20.

Inventor Signature:

Justin Lee Devine 2112 Laurel Forest Drive Fort Worth, TX 76177

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