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#### TRADEMARK SECURITY AGREEMENT

THIS TRADEMARK SECURITY AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is made this 30th day of November, 2000, between 399 VENTURE PARTNERS, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "Secured Party") and PURSELL INDUSTRIES, INC. ("Pursell"), a Delaware corporation, BFC ACQUISITION CORPORATION ("BFC"), a California corporation, and VIGORO ACQUISITION CORP. ("Vigoro"), a Delaware corporation (Pursell, BFC and Vigoro are collectively referred to hereinafter as the "Debtors" and individually as a "Debtor").

#### **RECITALS:**

Pursuant to the terms of the Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated the date hereof (the "Credit Agreement") by and among Debtors, Wachovia Bank, N.A. as Administrative Agent, Fleet Capital Corporation as Collateral Agent and the Lenders described therein, Lenders have agreed to make loans and other financial accommodations to Debtors. Pursuant to the terms of the Limited Guaranty Agreement dated the date hereof (the "Guaranty") by Secured Party in favor of Administrative Agent, Secured Party has agreed to guaranty certain obligations of Debtors under the Credit Agreement. Pursuant to the terms of that certain Reimbursement Agreement made the date hereof (the "Reimbursement Agreement") among Debtors and Secured Party, Secured Party has required, as a condition to extending its Guaranty to Administrative Agent, that Debtors grant to Secured Party a security interest in and lien upon substantially all of each Debtor's assets pursuant to this Agreement.

Pursuant to the terms of that certain Security Agreement made the date hereof among Debtors and Secured Party (the "Security Agreement"), the Debtors have contemporaneously herewith pursuant to this Agreement granted to Secured Party a lien upon and security interest in, among other things, the Debtors' now existing and hereafter acquired inventory, machinery, equipment, equipment formulations, manufacturing procedures, quality control procedures and product specifications relating to products sold under the Trademarks (as defined herein).

NOW, THEREFORE, for Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other valuable consideration, and in consideration of the premises, the Debtors hereby agree with the Secured Party as follows:

- 1. All capitalized terms used herein, including those used in the Recitals hereto, unless otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Security Agreement.
- 2. To secure the prompt payment and performance of the Obligations, the Debtors hereby pledge, assign and grant to Secured Party a continuing security interest in and Lien upon all of the following property of the Debtors, whether now owned or existing or hereafter acquired (collectively, the "Collateral")
  - (a) all trademarks, trademark registrations and trade names and all trademark applications that have been filed based on use or based on intent to use, provided that a statement of use or amendment to allege use has been filed as of the date of any Event of Default, including, without limitation, each trademark and application listed on Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof (as the same may be amended from time to time), and (i) all renewals thereof, (ii) all income, royalties, damages and payments now or hereafter due or payable with respect thereto, including, without limitation, damages and payments for past or future infringements or dilution thereof or injury to the associated goodwill, (iii) the right to sue for past, present and future infringements or dilution thereof or injury to the associated goodwill, and (iv) all rights corresponding thereto throughout the world (all of the foregoing trademarks, trademark registrations, trade names and applications, together with the items described in clauses (i) (iv), are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Trademarks");
  - (b) the goodwill of the Debtors' business connected with and symbolized by each Trademark; and
    - (c) all proceeds and products of the foregoing.
  - 3. The Debtors represent and warrant to Secured Party that:
  - (a) Each of the Trademarks is subsisting and has not been adjudged invalid or unenforceable;
  - (b) Upon filing of this Agreement in the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the applicable state and local offices under the UCC of the State of New York, this Agreement will create a legal and valid perfected lien upon and security interest in the Collateral (other than foreign trademarks), enforceable against the Debtors and all third Persons in accordance with its terms;
  - (c) No claim has been made that the use of any of the Trademarks does or may violate the rights of any third Person;
  - (d) The Debtors have the unqualified right to enter into this Agreement and perform its terms;
    - (e) Each of the Trademarks is valid and enforceable; and

- (f) The Debtors are the sole and exclusive owners of the entire right, title and interest in and to all of the Collateral, free and clear of any Liens other than Permitted Liens.
- 4. The Debtors covenant and agree with Secured Party that:
- (a) The Debtors will maintain the quality of the products associated with the Trademarks, at a level consistent with or superior to the quality at the time of this Agreement, and will provide Secured Party, upon request, with a certificate to that effect executed by an officer of the Debtors;
- (b) The Debtors will not lower the level of quality of the products associated with the Trademarks without Secured Party's prior written consent; and
- (c) Where applicable, the Debtors have used, and will continue to use for the duration of this Agreement, proper statutory notice in connection with their use of the Trademarks and has made, and will continue to make, all appropriate filings with the United States Patent and Trademark Office and all applicable foreign government offices to maintain the Trademark registrations in existence, including, without limitation, filing an affidavit of use with the United States Patent and Trademark Office and all applicable foreign government offices for each Trademark as required by Applicable Law to maintain the registration thereof without loss of protection therefor.
- 5. The Debtors hereby grant to Secured Party and their respective employees and agents the right upon prior notice to the Debtors, and subject only to any obligations of confidentiality to which the Debtors, their employees and agents are then subject with respect thereto, to visit the Debtors' plants and facilities which manufacture, inspect or store products sold under any of the Trademarks and to inspect the products and quality control records relating thereto at reasonable times during regular business hours. The Debtors shall do any and all acts required by Secured Party to ensure the Debtors' compliance with paragraph 4(c) of this Agreement.
- 6. The Debtors agree that, until all of the Obligations have been satisfied in full, it will not enter into any license agreement relating to any of the Trademarks, except non-exclusive licenses to customers of the Debtors in the regular and ordinary course of the Debtors' business as presently conducted and for reasonable and customary compensation, and shall not enter into any agreement that is inconsistent with the Debtors' duties under this Agreement.
- 7. If, before the Obligations have been satisfied in full, the Debtors shall obtain rights to any new trademarks, or become entitled to the benefit of any trademark application or trademark or any renewal of any Trademark, the provisions of paragraph 2 hereof shall automatically apply thereto, and the Debtors shall give to Secured Party prompt notice thereof in writing.

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- 8. The Debtors authorize Secured Party to modify this Agreement by amending Exhibit A to include any future trademarks and trademark applications within the definition of Trademarks under paragraph 2 or paragraph 7 hereof.
- If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, Secured Party shall have, in addition to all other rights and remedies given it by this Agreement, all rights and remedies under Applicable Law and all rights and remedies of a secured party under the UCC. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Secured Party may immediately, without demand of performance and without notice (except as described in the next sentence, if required by Applicable Law), or demand whatsoever to the Debtors, each of which the Debtors hereby waive, collect directly any payments due the Debtors in respect of the Collateral, or sell at public or private sale or otherwise realize upon all or from time to time, any of the Collateral. The Debtors hereby agree that seven (7) days written notice to the Debtors of any public or private sale or other disposition of any of the Collateral shall be reasonable notice; provided, however, that no such notice shall be required hereunder if not otherwise required by Applicable Law. At any such sale or disposition, Secured Party may, to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, purchase the whole or any part of the Collateral sold, free from any right of redemption on the part of the Debtors, which right the Debtors hereby waive and release. After deducting from the proceeds of such sale or other disposition of the Collateral all costs and expenses incurred by Secured Party in enforcing its rights hereunder (including, without limitation, all attorneys' fees), Secured Party shall apply the remainder of such proceeds to the payment of the Obligations for its benefit in accordance with the terms of the Security Agreement. If any deficiency shall arise, the Debtors and each guarantor of the Obligations shall remain jointly and severally liable to Lenders therefor.
- 10. The Debtors hereby make, constitute and appoint Secured Party and any officer or agent of Secured Party as Secured Party may select as the Debtors' true and lawful attorney-infact, with full power to do any or all of the following if an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing: to endorse the Debtors' names on all applications, documents, papers and instruments necessary for Secured Party to continue the registration of or to use the Trademarks, or to grant or issue any exclusive or nonexclusive license under the Trademarks to any other Person, or to assign, pledge, convey or otherwise transfer title in or dispose of the Collateral to any other Person. The Debtors hereby ratify all that such attorney shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. This power of attorney, being coupled with an interest, shall be irrevocable until all of the Obligations shall have been satisfied in full and the Security Agreement shall have been terminated.
- 11. At such time as all of the Obligations shall have been satisfied finally and in full and, the Commitments under the Security Agreement shall have been terminated, Secured Party shall execute and deliver to the Debtors, without representation, warranty or recourse and at the Debtors' expense, all releases and other instruments necessary to terminate Secured Party's security interest in the Collateral, subject to any disposition thereof which may have been made by Secured Party pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, the Security Agreement or any other Credit Document.

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- 12. Any and all fees, costs and expenses, of whatever kind or nature, (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and legal expenses), incurred by Secured Party in connection with the preparation of this Agreement and all other documents relating hereto and the consummation of this transaction, the filing or recording of any documents (including, without limitation, all taxes in connection therewith) in public offices, the payment or discharge of any taxes, counsel fees, maintenance fees, encumbrances or otherwise protecting, maintaining, or preserving the Collateral, or in defending or prosecuting any actions or proceedings arising out of or related to the Collateral, shall be borne and paid by the Debtors (it being the intent of the Debtors and Secured Party that the Debtors shall be responsible for the payment of all sums, fees, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, all renewal fees with respect to the Trademarks) or, if paid by Secured Party, shall be paid by the Debtors on demand to Secured Party and until so paid shall be added to the principal amount of the Obligations and shall bear interest at the rate per annum in effect from time to time under the Security Agreement.
- the Trademarks and shall notify Secured Party in writing of any infringements detected. The Debtors shall have the duty, through counsel acceptable to Secured Party, to prosecute diligently any trademark application of the Trademarks pending as of the date of this Agreement or thereafter until the Obligations shall have been paid in full, to file and prosecute opposition and cancellation proceedings, to file and prosecute lawsuits to enforce the Trademarks and to do any and all acts which are deemed necessary or desirable by Secured Party to preserve and maintain all rights in the Trademarks. Any expenses incurred in connection with such applications or proceedings shall be borne by the Debtors. The Debtors shall not abandon any pending trademark application that is filed based on use or as to which a verified statement of use has been filed or Trademark without the prior written consent of Secured Party.
- 14. Without limiting the obligations of the Debtors described in paragraph 13 hereof, after Secured Party's receipt of notice from the Debtors as provided in paragraph 13, or if Secured Party reasonably believes the act of any Person constitutes an infringement of any Trademark or a violation of any right of the Debtors or Secured Party therein, or an unlawful or unauthorized use thereof, Secured Party shall have the right (but shall not be obligated) to take such steps and institute such suits or proceedings as Secured Party shall deem necessary or advisable in its own name, or in the name of the Debtors or in the names of Secured Party and the Debtors jointly, to enforce the Trademarks and any license thereunder or to protect the rights of the parties thereunder, in which event the Debtors shall at the request of Secured Party do any and all lawful acts (including bringing suit) and execute any and all proper documents required by Secured Party to aid such enforcement, and the Debtors shall promptly, upon demand, reimburse and indemnify Secured Party for all costs and expenses incurred in the exercise of Secured Party's rights under this paragraph 14. Nothing herein shall be deemed to prohibit the Debtors from bringing any such suit in their own names at any time that an Event of Default does not exist, if Secured Party declines to institute such suit.
- 15. If the Debtors fail to comply with any of their obligations hereunder, to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, Secured Party may do so in the Debtors' names or in Secured

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- 16. No course of dealing between the Debtors and Secured Party, nor any failure to exercise, nor any delay in exercising, on the part of Secured Party, any right, power or privilege hereunder or under the Security Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or privilege hereunder or thereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege.
- 17. All of Secured Party's rights and remedies with respect to the Collateral, whether established by this Agreement, by the Security Agreement, by any other agreements or by Applicable Law shall be cumulative and may be exercised singularly or concurrently.
- 18. The provisions of this Agreement are severable, and if any clause or provision shall be held invalid and unenforceable in whole or in part in any jurisdiction, then such invalidity or unenforceability shall affect only such clause or provision, or part thereof, in such jurisdiction, and shall not in any manner affect such clause or provision in any other jurisdiction, or any other clause or provision of this Agreement in any jurisdiction.
- 19. This Agreement is subject to modification only by a writing signed by the parties, except as provided in paragraph 8 hereof.
- 20. The benefits and burdens of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the successors and assigns of the Secured Party and upon the successors of the Debtors. The Debtors shall not assign their rights or delegate their duties hereunder without the prior written consent of Secured Party.
  - 21. Notice of Secured Party's acceptance hereof is hereby waived by the Debtors.
- 22. This Agreement shall be governed in all respect by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York, including the UCC of the State of New York. Secured Party and each Debtor agree that the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, and the Supreme Court of New York County, New York, or, at the option of Secured

Party, any court in which Secured Party shall initiate legal or equitable proceedings and which has subject matter jurisdiction over the matter in controversy, shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine any claims or disputes between a Debtor and Secured Party pertaining directly or indirectly to this Agreement or to any matter arising herefrom. Each Debtor expressly submits and consents in advance to such jurisdiction in any action or suit commenced in any such Court, but each Debtor hereby waives any objection which such Debtor may have based upon lack of personal jurisdiction, improper venue of <u>forum non conveniens</u> and hereby consents to the granting of such legal or equitable relief as is deemed appropriate by such Court. The Debtors agree that the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of New York County, New York, and the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, shall be exclusive with respect to any action or proceeding brought by any or all of them against Secured Party. The choice of forum set forth herein shall not be deemed to preclude the enforcement of any judgment obtained in such forum or the taking of any action by Secured Party under this Agreement or any of the other Collateral Agreements to enforce same or to realize upon any of the Collateral in any appropriate jurisdictions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each Debtor has caused this Agreement to be signed, sealed and delivered in Atlanta, Georgia, on the day and year first written above.

ATTEST

Asd. Secretary

[CORPORATE SEAL]

PURSELL INDUSTRIES, INC.

By

Address:

1500 Urban Center, Suite 520 Birmingham, Alabama 35242

Attention: Mr. Worland Harris Telecopier No.: 205-968-5980

<b>Y</b> ss/:	ATTEST:  Secretary	VIGORO ACQUISITION CORP.  By: /////
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WHITE HOUSE	July 15, 1997	2,079,948

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# II. Marks Owned by BFC Acquisition Corp.

Mark	Reg./Filing Date	Reg./Serial No.
BANDINI	February 17, 1959	674,054
DROUGHT BUSTER	December 17, 1999	75-874,692
DROUGHT BUSTER	November 10, 1992	1,731,971
GRO-RITE	December 17, 1999	75-874,508
MAXI-IRON	December 17, 1999	75-874,924
PRO CHOICE	October 22, 1999	75-829,261
SUPER BLADE	December 17, 1999	75-874,749
SUPER GREEN	December 17, 1999	75-874,920
SUPER PLUSH	December 22, 1999	75-878,384

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## III. Marks Owned by Vigoro Acquisition Corporation

<u>Mark</u>	Filing/ Reg. Date	Serial/ Reg. No.
ALL AMERICAN	February 14, 1995	1,878,371
BED MIX	January 12, 1988	1,471,840
BLOOM MASTER	December 17, 1999	75-874,746
BLOOMASTER	September 27, 1960	704,808
BRIMM	October 26, 1954	597,254
DEEP GREEN	May 13, 1997	2,061,087
DEEP GREEN ‡	February 11, 1986	1,381,951
DEEPGREEN WHATEVER THE WEATHER	August 1, 2000	2,372,023
Design Only	June 9, 1998	2,163,609
Design Only	January 7, 1992	1,670,932
Design Only	November 7, 1967	838,194
END-O-PEST	March 16, 1999	75-661,546
END-O-PEST	March 12, 1929	254,044
ENVIRO CARE	December 28, 1993	1,814,304
ENVIRO C-A-R-E	December 21, 1993	1,812,664
FEDERAL LAWN MASTER	May 6, 1969	868,891
FUN	June 13, 1967	830,067
GREEN TURF	November 10, 1992	1,730,497
GRO-TONE	April 14, 1992	1,682,555

GRO-TONE	October 28, 1969	879,341
GRO-TONE	March 24, 1964	766,977
GRO-TONE	April 24, 1951	541,494
HOLIDAY	October 8, 1963	758,018
IDEAL	October 20, 1908	70,947
LAWN LIFE	May 30, 1961	715,959
LAWN MASTER	March 14, 1995	1,883,208
MAG POP	September 3, 1996	1,998,487
MICROVAIL	November 16, 1993	1,805,019
MR. TURF'S	April 14, 1964	768,071
NATURE'S BEST	November 10, 1992	1,730,493
NATURE'S BEST	February 5, 1974	977,977
PARK RIDGE	March 29, 1983	1,232,391
PRO-GRASS	November 4, 1997	2,110,922
SHORE	November 7, 1995	1,932,719
SOUTHLAND	January 5, 1965	782,658
SUBURBAN	September 12, 1967	834,949
TREASURE	January 4, 1966	801,170
V-COTE	June 3, 1997	2,067,899
VIGORO	March 9, 1999	2,230,960
VIGORO	July 1, 1924	186,125
VIGORO	January 17, 1967	822,216
VIGORO	August 3, 1999	2,266,583

VITOGRO	June 24, 1924	185,693
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‡ Mark subject to a security interest held by Harris Trust and Savings Bank. No release recorded.

† Registration show a security interest against Magla Products, Inc. held by Midlantic National Bank. Possible error in the recordation of the security interest.

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