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To the Honorable Commissioner of P

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attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Victor Equipment Company

- Individual(s)
- General Partnership
- Corporation-State of Delaware
- Other
- Association
- Limited Partnership

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?  Yes  No

3. Nature of conveyance:

- Assignment
- Security Agreement
- Other
- Merger
- Change of Name

Execution Date: February 9, 2004

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Name: ProTip Corporation

Internal Address: 16052 Swingley Ridge Road, Suite 300

Street Address: 16052 Swingley Ridge Road, Suite 300

City: Chesterfield State: MO ZIP: 63017

- Individual(s) citizenship
- Association
- General Partnership
- Limited Partnership
- Corporation-State of Missouri
- Other

If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a domestic representative designation is attached:  Yes  No

(Designations must be a separate document from Assignment)

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached?  Yes  No

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

A. Trademark Application No.(s)

B. Trademark Registration No.(s)  
2,122,833

Additional numbers attached?  Yes  No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: Thomas A. Polcyn

Internal Address: Thompson Coburn LLP

Street Address: One US Bank Plaza

City: St. Louis State: MO ZIP: 63101

6. Total number of application and registrations involved: 1

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41): \$ 40.00

- Enclosed
- Authorized to be charged to deposit account

8. Deposit account number:

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9. Statement and signature.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Thomas A. Polcyn  
Name of Person Signing

Signature

2-17-04  
Date

## TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

**WHEREAS**, Victor Equipment Company, a Delaware corporation with offices at 101 South Hanley Road, St. Louis, Missouri 63105 ( "Assignor"), is the owner of the trademark PRO-TIP for *welding, cutting and heating tips for use with acetylene welding, cutting and heating tools, namely, torches and heat guns; mig nozzles, collets and collet bodies for use with micro inert gas welding and tungsten inert gas welding* and U.S. Trademark Registration No. 2,122,833 therefor, which was granted by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 23, 1997 (hereinafter the PRO-TIP trademark and Registration No. 2,122,833 shall be referred to collectively as the "Trademark");

**WHEREAS**, ProTip Corporation, a Missouri corporation with offices at 16052 Swingley Ridge Road, Suite 300, Chesterfield, Missouri 63017 ("Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to the Trademark, and any registrations issuing therefore; and

**WHEREAS**, Assignee is owned, directly or indirectly, by Assignor.

**NOW THEREFORE**, for one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to the Trademark, together with the goodwill associated therewith, and the right to sue for, and recover for, any past infringements thereof, to be held and enjoyed by Assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor had no sale and assignment of said Trademark been made. Assignor further agrees to execute such further documents reasonably required by Assignee to secure and enforce the rights granted to Assignee under this Assignment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand the 9 day of

February 2004.

Victor Equipment Company,  
By:

[Signature]

Signature

Vice President - General Counsel  
Title of authorized officer

STATE OF Missouri

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COUNTY OF St. Louis

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On this 9 day of February 2004 before me, a Notary Public, within and for the County of St. Louis, State of Missouri, personally appeared Patricia S. Williams, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing assignment and acknowledged that he executed same as his free act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the date and year last above written.

Kathleen Benseit  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: July 15, 2004

