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record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies):  
Cenex Harvest States Cooperatives

- Individual(s)
- General Partnership
- Corporation-State
- 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: 12/16/98

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)  
Name: PANTEC, INC.

Internal Address:  
Street Address: 100 N. Phillips Ave. Ste. 600  
City: Sioux Falls State: SD ZIP: 57104-6725

- Individual(s) citizenship
- Association
- General Partnership
- Limited Partnership
- Corporation-State
- 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)  
2,125,010  
2,180,833

Additional numbers attached?  Yes  No

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

Name: John P. Mullen  
Internal Address:  
  
Street Address: Quaintance, Hauck & Mullen, PC  
100 N. Phillips Ave., Ste. 600  
City: Sioux Falls State: SD ZIP: 57104-6725

6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: 2

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$65  
 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.

Patrick J. Knecht

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Name of Person Signing

Signature

Date

Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document: 10

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# ASSIGNMENT OF SERVICE MARKS

**THIS ASSIGNMENT OF SERVICE MARKS ("THIS ASSIGNMENT")** is made this 16th day of December, 1998, by **CENEX HARVEST STATES COOPERATIVES**, a Minnesota Corporation ("ASSIGNOR"), to **PANTEC, INC.**, a South Dakota Corporation, with its principal place of business in Sioux Falls, South Dakota ("ASSIGNEE").

## WITNESSETH:

**WHEREAS**, Harvest States Cooperative, a former Minnesota Corporation, was the original owner and registrant of certain service marks, which service marks have been registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Office as follows (collectively, "**THE SERVICE MARKS**"):

1. Registration Number 2,125,010, registered December 30, 1997; and
2. Registration Number 2,180,833, registered August 11, 1998.

True and correct copies of the Certificate of Registration for each of **THE SERVICE MARKS** are attached hereto as **Exhibits A and B**, respectively, and incorporated herein by reference;

**WHEREAS**, Harvest States Cooperatives has merged with Cenex, Inc., a former Minnesota Corporation, and ASSIGNOR is the resulting and surviving entity of said merger, as evidenced by the Certificate of Merger issued by the Minnesota Secretary of State dated July 9, 1998, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit C** and incorporated herein by reference;


**WHEREAS**, the original of said Certificate of Merger has been or is to be filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office in order to reflect the above-referenced merger and the change in ownership of **THE SERVICE MARKS** to ASSIGNOR;

**WHEREAS**, ASSIGNOR wishes to assign to ASSIGNEE, and ASSIGNEE wishes to assume from ASSIGNOR, all of ASSIGNOR's right, title, and interest in and to **THE SERVICE MARKS**, and all of ASSIGNOR's goodwill associated with **THE SERVICE MARKS**;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby assigns to ASSIGNEE all of ASSIGNOR's right, title, and interest in and to **THE SERVICE MARKS**, and all of ASSIGNOR's goodwill associated with **THE SERVICE MARKS**, together with any registration of **THE SERVICE MARKS** on file with the United States Patent and Service Mark Office. ASSIGNEE hereby accepts the assignment made hereby, and assumes all of such rights, title, and interest in and to **THE SERVICE MARKS**.

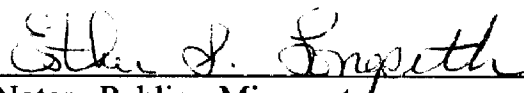
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, ASSIGNOR has executed THIS ASSIGNMENT by its proper officer thereunto duly authorized, at Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota, this 16th day of December, 1998.

CENEX HARVEST STATES COOPERATIVES

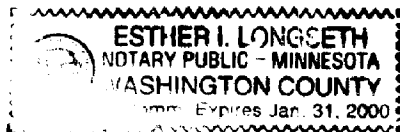
By   
David Swenson, Its Senior Vice President

State of Minnesota )  
: ss.  
County of Dakota )

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of December, 1998.

  
Notary Public - Minnesota  
My commission expires: 1/31/2000.

(SEAL)



# The United States of America



## CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION PRINCIPAL REGISTER

*The Mark shown in this certificate has been registered in the United States Patent and Trademark Office to the named registrant.*

*The records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office show that an application for registration of the Mark shown in this Certificate was filed in the Office, that the application was examined and determined to be in compliance with the requirements of the law and with the regulations prescribed by the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, and that the Applicant is entitled to registration of the Mark under the Trademark Act of 1946, as Amended.*

*A copy of the Mark and pertinent data from the application are a part of this certificate.*

*This registration shall remain in force for TEN (10) years, unless terminated earlier as provided by law, and subject to compliance with the provisions of Section 8 of the Trademark Act of 1946, as Amended.*



*Bence Lehman*

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

**EXHIBIT A-1**  
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## Maintenance Requirements

**Section 8:** This registration will be cancelled after six (6) years by the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, *UNLESS, before the end of the sixth year following the date of registration shown on this certificate*, the registrant files in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office an affidavit of continued use as required by Section 8 of the Trademark Act of 1946, 15 U.S.C. §1058, as Amended. **It is recommended that the Registrant contact the Patent and Trademark Office approximately five years after the date shown on this registration to determine the requirements and fees for filing a Section 8 affidavit that are in effect at that time.** Currently a fee and a specimen showing how the mark is used in commerce are required for *each* international class of goods and/or services identified in the certificate of registration and both must be enclosed with the affidavit.

**Section 9:** This registration will expire by law after ten (10) years, *UNLESS, before the end of the tenth year following the date of registration shown on this certificate*, the registrant files in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office an application for renewal of the registration as required by Section 9 of the Trademark Act of 1946, 15 U.S.C. §1059, as Amended. **It is recommended that the Registrant contact the Patent and Trademark Office approximately nine years after the date shown on this registration to determine the requirements and fees for filing a Section 9 application for renewal that are in effect at that time.** Currently a fee and a specimen showing how the mark is used in commerce are required for *each* international class of goods and/or services identified in the certificate of registration and both must be enclosed with the application for renewal.

**EXHIBIT** *A p 2*

**TRADEMARK  
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Int. Cls.: 35 and 42

Prior U.S. Cls.: 100, 101 and 102

Reg. No. 2,125,010

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Registered Dec. 30, 1997

SERVICE MARK  
PRINCIPAL REGISTER



PARTNERS IN ANIMAL TECHNOLOGY

HARVEST STATES COOPERATIVES (MINNESOTA CORPORATION)  
1667 SNELLING AVENUE NORTH  
P.O. BOX 64594  
ST. PAUL, MN 55164

FOR: BUSINESS CONSULTING SERVICES IN THE FIELD OF LIVESTOCK FEEDING AND MANAGEMENT, IN CLASS 35 (U.S. CLS. 100, 101 AND 102).

FIRST USE 4-30-1996; IN COMMERCE 4-30-1996.

FOR: CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND FEEDING OF LIVESTOCK, IN CLASS 42 (U.S. CLS. 100 AND 101).  
FIRST USE 4-30-1996; IN COMMERCE 4-30-1996.

NO CLAIM IS MADE TO THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO USE "PARTNERS IN ANIMAL TECHNOLOGY", APART FROM THE MARK AS SHOWN.

SER. NO. 75-132,876, FILED 7-11-1996.

ANN E. SAPPENFIELD, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

EXHIBIT *A p<sup>3</sup>*

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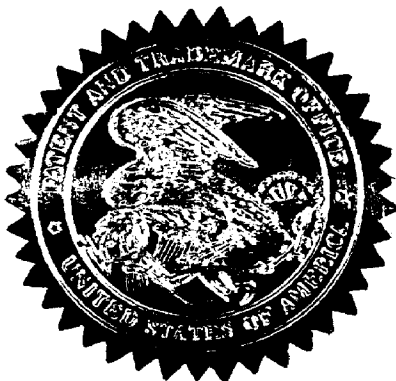
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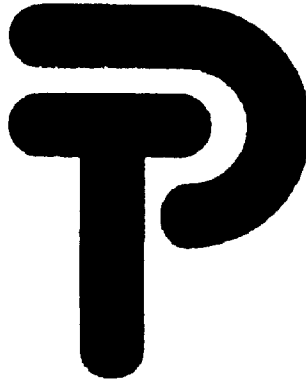
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**United States Patent and Trademark Office**

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THE MARK CONSISTS OF THE STYLIZED LETTERS "PT".

SER. NO. 75-372,805, FILED 10-14-1997.

LORI STOCKTON, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

**EXHIBIT** *B p3*  
**TRADEMARK**  
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State of Minnesota

**SECRETARY OF STATE**

**CERTIFICATE OF MERGER**

I, Joan Anderson Grove, Secretary of State of Minnesota, keeper of the Great Seal of the State and custodian of the documents pertaining to businesses governed by the laws of this State, do hereby certify that: the entities listed below have merged under the provisions of Minnesota law and have designated the surviving entity listed below. I further certify that the merger documents indicate the name change shown below and were filed on and are effective on the dates listed below. I further certify that the ability of the non-surviving participating entities to do business ceased as of the effective date of the merger.

**PARTICIPATING ENTITIES:**

**Cenex, Inc. - a Minnesota Corporation**

**Harvest States Cooperatives - a Minnesota Corporation**

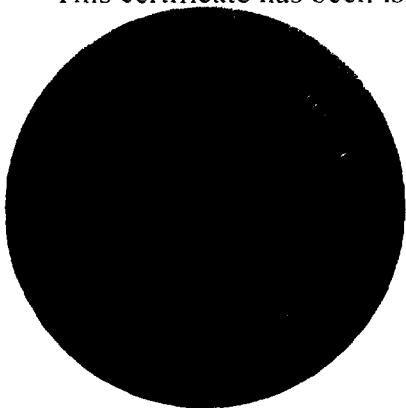
**SURVIVING ENTITY: Harvest States Cooperatives**

**MERGER FILING DATE: 06/01/1998 effective 12/01 A.M.**

**NAME CHANGE: Cenex Harvest States Cooperatives**

**NAME CHANGE FILING DATE: 05/29/1998**

This certificate has been issued on July 9, 1998.



*Joan Anderson Grove*  
Secretary of State.

**EXHIBIT C**

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