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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks. Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

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1. Name of conveying party(ies):
 Dorskocil Manufacturing Company, Inc.
 4209 Barnett
 Arlington, Texas 76017

Individual(s) Association
 General Partnership Limited Partnership
 Corporation-State Texas
 Other _____

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):
 Name: George B. Strickland
 Internal Address: _____
 Street Address: 6423 Barbour Lake Road
 City Fayetteville State NC ZIP 28306

Individual(s) citizenship U.S.
 Association _____
 General Partnership _____
 Limited Partnership _____
 Corporation-State _____
 Other _____

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

3. Nature of conveyance:
 Assignment Merger
 Security Agreement Change of Name
 Other: _____

Execution Date: February 26, 1999

If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a domestic representative designation is attached: Yes No
 (Designation must be a separate document from Assignment).
 Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No

4. Application number(s) or registration number(s):
 A. Trademark Application No.(s)
 B. Trademark registration No.(s)
1,289,970
1,914,769

Additional numbers attached? Yes No

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. (Deficiencies)

8. Deposit account number: 12-1781
 (Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:
 Name: Michael W. Piper
 Internal Address: LOCKE LIDDELL & SAPP LLP
 Street Address: 2200 Ross Avenue, Suite 2200
 City Dallas State TX ZIP 75201

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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.

Michael W. Piper, Reg. 39,800 Michael W. Piper March 1, 1999
 Name of Person Signing Signature Date

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TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

Whereas, DOSKOCIL MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC., a Texas corporation, (hereinafter "Assignor") is the owner of all right, title and interest in and to the trademarks *MISTER DEW DROP* and *MISTER DEW DROP, JR.* (collectively, the trademarks), which trademarks have been registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") under registration numbers 1,289,970 on August 29, 1995 and 1,914,769 on August 14, 1984, respectively (Exhibit A).

Whereas, GEORGE B. STRICKLAND, an individual (hereinafter "Assignee"), having an address at 6423 Barbour Lake Road, Fayetteville, North Carolina 28306, is desirous of acquiring all right, title and interest of Assignor in and to the trademarks.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Ten and No/100 Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby sells, assigns, transfers, conveys and delivers to Assignee all of Assignor's right, title and interest in and to the trademarks, together with goodwill of the business symbolized by each of the trademarks, and the right to recover for damages and profits for past infringements of the trademarks.

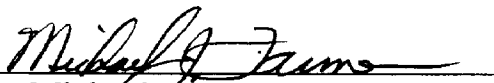
The Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks is requested to direct any correspondence after the date hereof to Assignee, George B. Strickland at 6423 Barbour Lake Road, Fayetteville, North Carolina 28306.

Assignor represents and warrants to Assignee that all statements made by Assignor in the applications for registrations were true and correct as of the date the applications were made and continue to be true and correct as of the date hereof.

This Assignment is binding on Assignor and its successors and assigns and shall inure to the benefit of Assignee and its successors and assigns.

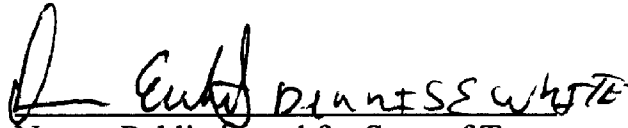
Signed at Dallas, Texas, this 26th day of February, 1999.

DOSKOCIL MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC.
A Texas Corporation

By: 
Michael J. Farmer
Executive Vice President

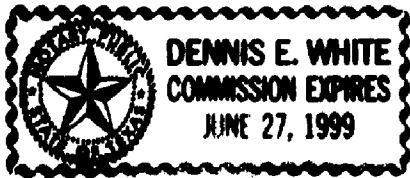
On this 26 day of February, 1999, personally appeared Michael J. Farmer, to me known and known to me to be Executive Vice President of Doskocil Manufacturing Company, Inc., a Texas Corporation, the assignor above named, and acknowledged that he executed the foregoing trademark assignment on behalf of said assignor and pursuant to authority duly received.

(SEAL)


Notary Public in and for State of Texas,
County of Dallas

My commission expires:

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EXHIBIT A

MISTER DEW DROP Registration No. 1,289,970 Registered August 29, 1995

MISTER DEW DROP, JR. Registration No. 1,914,769 Registered August 14, 1984