

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Culligan Water Conditioning, Inc., a corporation of Wisconsin having an office and place of business at 350 West Sunset Drive, Waukesha, Wisconsin 53186 has adopted and used the following marks and the trademark Registrations:

SCHEDULE OF TRADEMARKS

MARK	REG. NO.	REG. DATE
MERMAID	2,119,906	12/9/97
MERMAID	1,065,232	5/10/77
WATER SERVICES	1,544,303	6/20/89
WATER SERVICES (Mexico)	458,993	5/2/94
WHEN YOU THINK OF WATER... THINK OF MERMAID	1,688,124	5/19/92

WHEREAS, Culligan International Company, a corporation of Delaware, having an office and place of business at One Culligan Parkway, Northbrook, Illinois 60062 is desirous of acquiring said marks and the registrations therefor.

NOW, THEREFORE, for one Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, said Culligan Water Conditioning, Inc. without representations or warranties with respect to said trademarks or registrations or the title thereto does hereby assign unto the said Culligan International Company, all its rights, title and interest in and to the said marks and the registrations therefor, together with the goodwill of the business symbolized by said marks and the registrations therefor and including all rights to sue and recover for past infringement of said marks and the registrations therefor.

Culligan Water Conditioning, Inc.

4-27-01
Date

By: [Signature]
Name: MICHAEL HULME
Title: VICE PRESIDENT

STATE OF ILLINOIS :
COUNTY OF COOK :

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 27th day of April, 2001.

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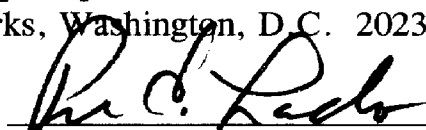
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Notary Public
My Commission Expires 3/21/04

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Culligan International Company
Registration Nos: 2,119,906; 1,065,232; 1,544,303; and 1,688,124
Registration Dates: December 9, 1997; May 10, 1977; June 20, 1989; and May 19, 1992
Mark: MERMAID; MERMAID; WATER SERVICES; and
WHEN YOU THINK OF WATER...THINK OF MERMAID

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document is being placed in the United States mail with First Class postage attached, addressed to the Box Assignment, Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on the 7th day of May, 2001.



Peter C. Lando

BOX ASSIGNMENT
COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Sir:

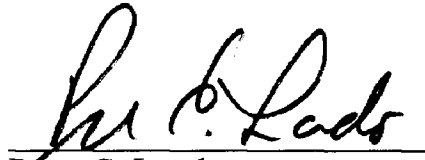
Transmitted herewith is/are the following document(s):

- Assignment
- Trademark Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet(Form PTO-1594)
- Return Postcard

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 720-3500, Boston, Massachusetts.

Please charge the amount of \$115.00 to Deposit Account No. 500214 to cover the filing fees. If the fee is insufficient, the balance may be charged Deposit Account No. 500214. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,


Peter C. Lando 7 May 2001
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