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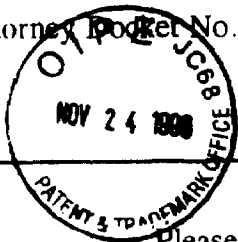


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Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies):

COURTAULDS PACKAGING INC.

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

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

Name: THATCHER TUBES LLC.

Street Address: 1005 Courtaulds Drive  
Woodstock, Illinois 60098

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

3. Nature of conveyance: Assignment

Execution Date: November 16, 1999

4. Mark: MiniCap

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

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: \_\_\_\_\_

A. Patent Application No.(s)  
75/532,774

B. Patent No.(s)

Additional numbers attached? Yes  No

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

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7. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

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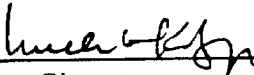
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9. Deposit Account No.: 01-2340  
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10. Statement and signature.

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.

William G. Kratz, Jr.  
Name of Person Signing

  
Signature

November 24, 1999  
Date

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TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, COURTAULDS PACKAGING INC., a corporation of the State of West Virginia, having its situs and principal place of business at 1005 Courtaulds Drive, Woodstock, Illinois 60098 ("Assignor") owns and has a bona fide intent to use the mark MiniCap in connection with the following goods, plastic squeeze tubes; and

WHEREAS, Assignor has applied to register the mark on the Principal Register of the United States Patent and Trademark Office based on Assignor's bona fide intent to use the mark in commerce in connection with the above-identified goods, Application Serial No., 75/532,774 filed on August 7, 1998; and

WHEREAS, THATCHER TUBES LLC, a corporation of the state of Delaware, having its situs and principal place of business at 1005 Courtaulds Drive, Woodstock, Illinois 60098 ("Assignee"), desires to acquire the business of Assignor in connection with which the Assignor has a bona fide intent to use the mark and the pending Application,

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby sells, assigns and transfers to Assignee all right, title and interest in and to the mark and the pending Application therefor, together with that portion of Assignor's business in connection with which it has a bona fide intent to use the mark.

This assignment shall be effective as of February 12,  
1999.

COURTAULDS PACKAGING INC.

By: Roger Sim

Name: [Signature]

Title: Secretary

Date 11-16-99

Before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared, Roger Sim the Secretary of COURTAULDS PACKAGING INC., who acknowledged that he is the person who executed the foregoing assignment and acknowledged it to be his free and voluntary act and deed this 16 day of November, 1999.

[Signature]  
NOTARY PUBLIC

"OFFICIAL SEAL"  
SUSAN I. LINDGREN  
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF ILLINOIS  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 10/18/00