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To the Honorable Commissioner



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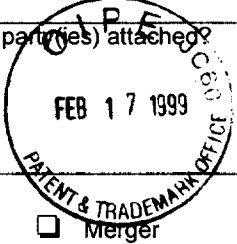
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1. Name of conveying party(ies):  
**Tuyaux Duchesne Ltee/Duchesne Pipes Ltd.**

- Individual(s)
- General Partnership
- Corporation-State Canada
- 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: January 19, 1999

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

Name: Ipex Inc.  
 Internal Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address: Edifice du Port de Montreal Wing 3,  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Cite du Havre  
 City: Montreal Province: Quebec Country: Canada  
 Zip: H3C 3R5

- Individual(s) citizenship \_\_\_\_\_
- Association \_\_\_\_\_
- General Partnership \_\_\_\_\_
- Limited Partnership \_\_\_\_\_
- Corporation-State Canada
- 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 registration number(s):

A. Trademark Application No.(s)

B. Trademark registration No.(s)  
**2,163,040**

Additional numbers attached?  Yes  No

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

Name: Carol L.B. Matthews  
Internal Address: Gadsby & Hannah LLP

Street Address: 1747 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

City: Washington State: DC ZIP: 20006

6. Total number of applications 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.

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Carol L.B. Matthews  
Name of Person Signing

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Date

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Registration of

IPEX INC.

(by Assignment from  
TUYAUX DUCHESNE LTÉE/DUCHESNE PIPES LTD.)

Registered: June 9, 1998

Registration No. 2,163,040

Mark: ECOLOTUBE

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Post Registration Branch  
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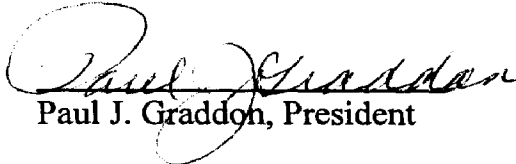
**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Registrant hereby appoints Carol L.B. Matthews, Paul F. Kilmer, Thomas W. Brooke and Stephen J. Jeffries all members of the Bar of the District of Columbia, and Gadsby & Hannah LLP, and all having an address at 1747 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20006, with full power of substitution and revocation, to represent it in all proceedings affecting the mark and registration which may arise in the Patent and Trademark Office hereafter. Any previous powers of attorney relating to the mark and registration are hereby revoked.

**DOMESTIC REPRESENTATIVE**

Gadsby & Hannah LLP, whose postal address is Suite 700, 1747 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20006, is hereby designated applicant's representative upon whom notices or process in proceedings affecting the mark may be served.

IPEX INC.

by:   
Paul J. Graddon, President

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TRADE-MARK ASSIGNMENT

Tuyaux Duchesne Ltée/Duchesne Pipes Ltd., (the "Assignor"), whose principal office or place of business is 1245 Lavoisier Blvd, P.O. Box 760, St-Joseph-de-Beauce, Quebec, Canada, G0S 2V0, in consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, does hereby grant, assign and convey to and in favor of IpeX Inc.(the "Assignee"), whose principal office or place of business is Édifice du Port de Montréal Wing 3, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Cité du Havre, Montreal, Quebec, H3C 3R5, which hereby accepts, all the rights, title and interest including all goodwill arising therefrom, which the Assignor may have acquired or has acquired in and to the trademark ECOLOTUBE, serial no. 74655038, registration number 2163040.

EXECUTED at Montreal, this January 19, 1999.

TUYAUX DUCHESNE LTÉE/DUCHESNE PIPES LTD.

per: *Françoise Duchesne*  
Françoise Duchesne, President

EXECUTED at Montreal, this January 19, 1999.

IPEX INC.

per: *Paul J. Graddon*  
Paul J. Graddon, President

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