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Attorney Docket No. 2765/8
 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

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

1. Name of conveying party(ies):
 T.J. Smith & Naphew Limited

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

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

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)
 Name: Alter Ego Vierte Beteiligungsgesellschaft
 Internal
 Address: (same as street address)
 Street Address: Oberlindau 76-78
 City: Frankfurt State: _____ Zip: 60323

Individual(s) citizenship _____
 Association _____
 General Partnership _____
 Limited Partnership _____
 Corporation-State Germany
 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

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

Execution Date: 10/16/2002

4. Application number(s) or registration number(s):
 A. Trademark Application No.(s) _____

B. Trademark Registration No.(s) _____

Additional number(s) attached Yes No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:
 Name: J. Scott Evans
 Internal Address: 2180 Two Wachovia Center

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6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: 18

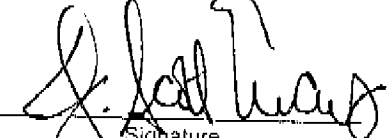
7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ 465.00
 Enclosed
 Authorized to be charged to deposit account

8. Deposit account number:
 Please charge the requisite fee of \$465.00 for the above-requested assignment fee to the undersigned attorney's Deposit Account No. 01-0265. Also, please charge any other additional fee(s) to our Deposit Account No. 01-0265, if necessary.

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9. Signature:

 J. Scott Evans
 Name of Person Signing


 Signature

2-14-03
 Date

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74/154,127	EASIFIX	Word Mark
75/061,340	EASIFIX	Word Mark
75/149,071	PROWEB	Word Mark
75/409,392	PROTOUCH 1 STEP	Word Mark
75/877,612	EASIFIX	Word Mark
78/133,105	OPTIBAND	Word Mark
78/133,105	OPTIBAND	Word Mark
78/133,114	CO-PLUS	Word Mark
0,381,359	GYPSONA	Word Mark
1,160,589	CRYSTONA	Word Mark
1,366,258	HYPAFIX	Word Mark
1,368,582	PROTOUCH	Word Mark
1,395,491	DYNACAST	Word Mark
1,437,184	TENSOPRESS	Word Mark
1,453,094	TENSOGRIP	Word Mark
1,477,524	TENSOPLAST	Word Mark
1,524,123	MEDI SWAB	Word Mark
1,668,407	PROTOUCH 1 STEP	Word Mark

SHORTFORM ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, T.J. Smith & Nephew Limited, a company organized and existing under the laws of the United Kingdom (hereinafter referred to as "TJSN"), is the owners of all right, title and interest in and to the trademarks listed in the Schedule which is attached hereto and hereby incorporated by reference (hereinafter referred to as "Trademarks");

WHEREAS, Alter Ego Vierte Beteiligungsgesellschaft, a company organized and existing under the laws of Germany (hereinafter "Alter Ego") is desirous of acquiring the Trademarks and any applications or registrations therefor, together with the goodwill of the business symbolized by said Trademarks; and

WHEREAS, TJSN and Alter Ego entered into an master Trademark Assignment dated March 30, 2001 whereby TJSN assigned the Trademarks to Alter Ego; and

WHEREAS, BSN medical Limited, a company organized and existing under the laws of the United Kingdom (hereinafter "BSN") is desirous of acquiring the Trademarks and any applications or registrations therefor, together with the goodwill of the business symbolized by said Trademarks from Alter Ego; and

WHEREAS, Alter Ego and BSN entered into an master Trademark Assignment dated April 17, 2001 whereby Alter Ego assigned the Trademarks to BSN; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to record said assignment with the United States Patent and Trademark Office,

NOW, THEREFOR, in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants contained in the Trademark Assignments dated April 17, 2001 and other good and

valuable consideration, the receipt and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by the parties, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. TJSN does hereby assign, transfer, grant, convey and set over unto Alter Ego, its successors and assigns throughout the world, all of TJSN s right, title and interest in and to the Trademarks, and any applications and registration therefor together with the goodwill of the business symbolized by said Trademarks and,

2. Alter Ego does hereby assign, transfer, grant, convey and set over unto BSN, its successors and assigns throughout the world, all of Alter Ego s right, title and interest in and to the Trademarks, and any applications and registration therefor together with the goodwill of the business symbolized by said Trademarks and,

2. The Effective Date of this assignment shall be March 30, 2001.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, TJSN has caused this Assignment to be duly executed and delivered as of this 16 day of October, 2002.

T. J. SMITH & NEPHEW LIMITED

BY: [Signature]

Title:

This the 16 day of October, 2002.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Alter Ego has caused this Assignment to be duly executed and delivered as of this 7 day of November 2002.

Alter Ego Vierte Beteiligungsgesellschaft

BY: [Signature]

Title: Managing Director

AGREED & ACCEPTED

BSN medical Limited

By: Stephen C. Brown

Title: VP FINANCE

Schedule

Mark	Serial No.	Reg. Date	Expiry Date
CO-PLUS	78/133,114	N/A	N/A
CRYSTONA	1160589	07/14/1981	N/A
DYNACAST	1395491	06/03/1986	06/03/2006
PROTOUCH	1368582	11/05/1985	11/05/2005
TENSOGRIP	1453094	08/18/1987	08/18/2007
TENSOPLAST	1477524	02/23/1988	02/23/2003
EASIFIX		N/A	Pending
GYPSONA		381359	N/A
HYPAFIX		1366258	N/A
MEDI-SWAB		1524123	N/A
OPTIBAND	78/133,105	N/A	N/A
PROTOUCH 1-STEP		N/A	Pending
PROWEB		N/A	Pending
TENSOPRESS		1437184	N/A
EASIFIX	N/A	Pending	
GYPSONA	381359	N/A	
HYPAFIX	1366258	N/A	
MEDI-SWAB	1524123	N/A	
PROTOUCH 1-STEP	N/A	Pending	
PROWEB	N/A	Pending	
TENSOPRESS	1437184	N/A	