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Re: ABONDANCE - New U.S. Patent Application
SNOW SURFBOARD HAVING ASYMMETRIC CHARACTERISTICS
Our Ref: Abondance=2

Dear Mr. Wind:

Per your order letter of May 28, and further instructions of June 6 and June 20, for which we thank you, we have now had the French text translated into English and have revised the raw English translation to place the application in good form for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Enclosed are both the raw English translation and the revised text with formal papers attached.

One word needs clarification. In the description of the embodiment of figs. 1 and 2, and especially the absorbers 7,8, these absorbers are said to be formed of a "zicral" plate 5. We are unable to find the word "zicral" in any of our dictionaries. If the word "zicral" is a trademark or a trade name, it will need to be defined. If the term is defined in one of the prior art patents (French 2,575,393; or either of USP 3,537,717 or 4,627,637) there should be no problem. If this material is merely exemplary, such as a special metal, perhaps it would be better to change the text to read "having a metal plate 5, such as one formed of zicral".

Please be advised that any changes in the text must be made before the inventor executes the application! Such a change may be made by typing or may be made by interlineation in ink (but again, before execution), and in that case the inventor should place his initials and the date in the margin adjacent any such interlineation. **Failure to follow these formal requirements of the U.S. patent law will result in troubles later on.**

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If the text is satisfactory without change, or even if changes are made as indicated above, the application should then be executed by having the inventor sign and date the Declaration after he has reviewed the application. The assignment to Rossignol should be executed on the same day (again by signing and dating the Assignment form).

We have noted your instructions of June 20 that, in order to avoid the expense, we are not to fax the text. However, we fax a confirmation copy of this letter so that you will know that it has been mailed. Please be sure that the executed application is in our hands no later than the due date of

July 30, 1991.

Thank you.

With regard to the applicant's duty to disclose prior art and other material information (Rule 56), we ask you to please send us copies of the three publications mentioned on page 2 of the application and also the French published application 2,575,393. We can order the two U.S. patents at our end. If the inventor or the inventor, the assignee or you know of any additional prior art or material information, please advise.

Lastly, we apologize for the delay, but have only recently received the application from our translator.

Sincerely,

Sheridan Neimark

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