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Gray Manufacturing Company, Inc., a family owned and operated business located in St. Joseph, Missouri, manufactures and sells portable lifting equipment for use by professional mechanics in servicing and repair of trucks and busses. In 2003, Gray was awarded U.S. Patent No. 6,634,461. In 2006, Gray was awarded U.S. Patent No. 7,014,012. Both relate to a revolutionary wireless system for synchronizing multiple lifting devices by means of radio communication to coordinate their lifting and lowering of a load. Since then, Gray has been awarded an additional patent, U.S. Patent No. 7,219,770, also relating to this wireless technology.

For over six years, the Gray wireless lift system has been sold worldwide. A second generation of Gray wireless mobile columns will soon be introduced to broaden the scope of its utility to the customer.

On March 10, 2009 Gray filed a patent infringement suit in the Missouri Western Federal District Court, against Stertil-Koni (a European based competitor) related to U.S. Patent No. 6,634,461 and U.S. Patent No. 7,014,012 who introduced their version of a wireless lift into the American market (the details of this case can be found at the internet link, <http://dockets.justia.com/>). Their product was introduced at a truck show in Louisville on March 19, 2009. Stertil-Koni continues to aggressively market and sell their wireless product in the U.S. as of this date.

Patents are issued to spur American companies to invest in inventing and developing products that improve our way of life. Gray plans to vigorously pursue and defend the rights granted under these patents. We fully expect the Federal Court to uphold the validity of our patents so we will be able to control and prevent unauthorized usage of our intellectual property.

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