

Due Diligence List

F1 – Intellectual Property: A schedule of domestic and foreign patents and patent applications.

Active Patents:

US 5,312,573 - Process for extruding mixtures of thermoplastic and thermoset materials (a copy of the patent is attached).

US 5,523,328 - Process and apparatus for extruding mixtures of thermoplastic and thermoset materials and products made therefrom (a copy of the patent is attached).

Inactive Patent:

US 5,861,117 - Process and apparatus for cooling an extrudate (a copy of the patent is attached). The maintenance fee needs to be paid on this patent, however our attorney believes that this is probably not worthwhile, as the patent will not be enforced.

Our attorney said to let you know that quite a few years ago Rumber fought an infringement suit, and it was decided that it would not be worthwhile to enforce the patents again. We can put you in touch with our patent attorney, Mark Gilbreth, if you would like to discuss this with him.

Rejected Patent:

US 20090123770 – Rubber and plastic composite material having reinforcing layer. This process did not work. The patent was filed in 2009, however the claims were all rejected as the subject matter did not appear to be patentable.