DECLARATION OF MICHAEL J. SINDONI JR.

The undersigned, Michael J. Sindoni Jr., hereby certifies and on oath states as follows.

- 1. My name is Michael J. Sindoni Jr. and I am a resident of 2078 Hardin Street, Delanson, NY, 12053. I am the sole inventor of the invention titled, "Retractable bed ramps with platform for a pickup truck" (hereinafter "the invention").
- 2. A similar patent application was filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office under the application number 14/209,123 to Deyan Ninov et al., filed March 13, 2014 and titled, "Adjustable loading ramp system for a vehicle" (hereinafter "the Chrysler application"). A true and correct copy of the Chrysler application, obtained from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, is attached hereto.
- 3. The invention supported a patent application filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office under the application number 14/834,548, filed August 25, 2015 and titled, "Retractable bed ramps with platform for a pickup truck" (hereinafter "the Sindoni application"). A true and correct copy of the Sindoni application, obtained from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, is attached hereto.
- 4. A relevant federal statute, entitled the "Leahy-Smith America Invents Technical Corrections" was signed into law on January 14, 2013 (Public Law 112-274). A true and correct copy of said statute is attached hereto.
- 5. I conceived and developed the invention no later than July 2013. As early as January 2014, I had contemplated manufacturing his invention and wanted to continue development of my invention with production and distribution. I sought out reputable manufacturers who might begin production under license, but could not find a suitable manufacturer at first.
- 6. I granted Power of Attorney to Attorney Robert W. Gray regarding the invention upon the filing of the Sindoni application. A true and correct copy of the document granting Power of Attorney is attached hereto.
- 7. Details of the invention were communicated to FCA US LLC by me more than a year before FCA US LLC filed the Chrysler application and more than two years before the Sindoni application was filed.
- I never authorized FCA US LLC to file a patent application on the invention.
 Between July 2013 and September 2013, details of the invention were also communicated to some of my family and friends, specifically John Sindoni (my brother). Janelle Sindoni (my write). Price Sindoni (my father), and my friends ban Burke Mike Altschuler, Mark Kenific, and Joe Vanderlinden.
 Details of the invention were communicated to the U.S. Patent Commission, an invention development firm with legal counser for inventors, on January 26, 2014.

The undersigned hereby certifies and on oath states that the facts as set forth in the foregoing instrument are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.



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