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(54) **ULTRASONIC TOOL AND METHOD FOR  
SECURING A COVERING TO A FRAME**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A method is disclosed for securing a flexible covering about a frame having a peripheral edge and at least one corner. A portion of the flexible covering is folded over the peripheral edge of the frame at or about the corner and an excess portion of the covering is provided. Ultrasonic welding is used to create a seam of contacting portions of the flexible covering. In an embodiment, the excess portion of the flexible covering is removed in connection with the welding operation. An apparatus for securing a flexible covering about a frame is also provided.

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