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Scharlemann constructed a connected simplicial 2-complex  $\Gamma$  with an action by the group  $\mathcal{H}_2$  of isotopy classes of orientation preserving homeomorphisms of  $S^3$  that preserve the isotopy class of an unknotted genus 2 handlebody  $V$ . We prove that the 2-complex  $\Gamma$  is contractible. Therefore we get a finite presentation of  $\mathcal{H}_2$ . (Received September 24, 2006)