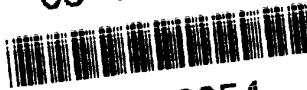


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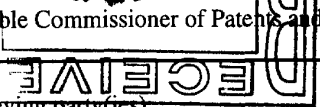


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WHEREAS, I, RAYMOND PERRUCHOUD, a citizen of Switzerland,
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have invented certain inventions and improvements disclosed in an application for
Letters Patent entitled "Fused Calcined Petroleum Cokes and Method of Formation,"
Serial No. 08/956,543, filed October 23, 1997; and

WHEREAS, Alumax Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware
having a principal place of business at 3424 Peachtree Road, N.E., Suite 2100,
Atlanta, Georgia, 30326, is desirous of acquiring an interest in the same;


NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of Five Dollars (\$5.00)
and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which I
hereby acknowledge, I, Raymond Perruchoud, by these presents do sell, assign and
transfer unto Alumax Inc., the full, exclusive and entire right, title, and interest in and
to said application, in and to any divisions, continuations, and reissues thereof, and in
and to all inventions and improvements disclosed and described in said application,
preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent of the United States therefor; and I hereby
request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters
Patent of the United States resulting from said application, or from a division,
continuation, or reissue thereof, to Alumax Inc., as the assignee, for its interest and
for the sole use and benefit of Alumax Inc. and its assigns and legal representatives;

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