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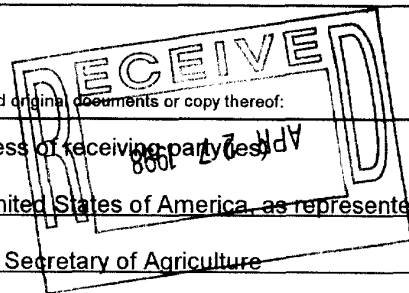
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21793; 1109 Young Place, Frederick, Maryland 21702; 7313 Beechtree Drive, Middletown, Maryland  
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having invented an improvement in Development of a PCR-Based Method for Identification of *Tilletia indica*, Causal Agent of Karnal Bunt of Wheat

for which we have made application for Letters Patent of the United States, executed concurrently herewith and further identified as Department of Agriculture Case No. 0188.94A; and Serial No. 08/772,961

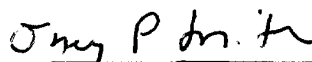
WHEREAS, the United States patent rights in said invention are assignable to the United States by virtue of our having made the invention while in the employ of the United States Department of Agriculture under applicable law and regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture which render the patent rights so assignable; and

WHEREAS, the United States, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture, is desirous of acquiring an assignment of said patent rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these premises, we hereby assign said patent rights to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture;

We further grant to the Government of the United States a nonexclusive, irrevocable, royalty-free license in any patent which may issue on said invention in any foreign country, including the power to issue sublicenses for use in behalf of the Government and/or in furtherance of the foreign policies of the Government.

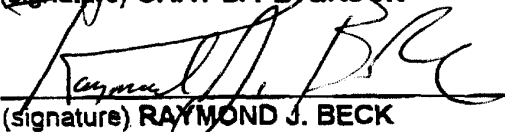
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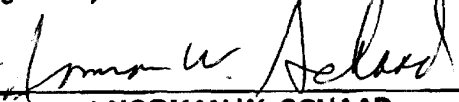
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