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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, DR. NORBERT DIEKHANS, residing in Gütersloh, Germany, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR, has invented a new and useful

## ELECTROHYDRAULIC STEERING SYSTEM

for which ASSIGNOR is about to file an application for Letters Patent in the United States of America, such invention being described and identified by said application having an attached Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by ASSIGNOR on  $\frac{9 \text{ February 1998}}{2}$ ; and

WHEREAS, CLAAS KGaA, a German company having a place of business at Harsewinkel, Germany, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and any Letters Patent granted thereon by the United States of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and for other good and valuable consideration received by ASSIGNOR from ASSIGNEE, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by ASSIGNOR;

- ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns, transfers and conveys unto ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, any application therefor, and any Letters Patent granted thereon by the United States of America, including any continuing application, re-examination, reissue or extension thereof, and covenant that ASSIGNOR has the full right to do so.
- At the request and expense of ASSIGNEE, ASSIGNOR agrees to communicate to ASSIGNEE any facts known respecting said invention, to execute all papers necessary to file any application on said invention necessary or desirable and to aid ASSIGNEE in obtaining and enforcing proper protection for said invention in the United States of America.
- ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS to issue the United States Letters Patent on said invention, when granted, to CLAAS KGaA.
- This assignment shall inure to the benefit of ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and other legal representatives, and shall be binding upon ASSIGNOR, ASSIGNOR'S heirs and legal representatives.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, ASSIGNOR has executed this instrument.

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DR. NORBERT DIEKHANS
Date

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