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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Steven Luo of Akron, County of Summit, and State of Ohio, have invented certain new and useful improvements in CATALYST COMPOSITION AND POLYMERIZATION PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SYNDIOTACTIC 1,2-POLYBUTADIENE.

WHEREAS, BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION, a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of Japan and having its principal office and place of business at Tokyo, Japan is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in, to and under any Letters Patent of the United States which may be obtained therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

BE IT KNOWN that for the consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration by me received from said corporation, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said Steven Luo have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said corporation, its successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and all foreign countries and in, to and under the application for Letters Patent of the United States therefor, executed by me May 27, 1998, and in, to and under any reissue, divisional, continuing or substitute application thereof, and in, to and under any Letters Patent that may be issued for said invention in the United States; and I do hereby covenant and agree for myself and my legal representatives to assist my said assignee, in the prosecution of my said application and in any interference or litigation which may arise involving my said invention or patent and to execute and assign to said corporation any reissue application thereof, or any divisional, continuing, or substitute application based on my said application, as may be requested by my said assignee, all however at the expense of said assignee; and I do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent of the United States upon said application for said invention to BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION aforesaid, as assignee of my entire right, title and interest in and to the same for the sole use and behoof of my assignee, its successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 27th day of May, 1998.

Steven Luo 5-27-98
Steven Luo (date)