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State/Prov.: MN

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- ☒ Assignment ☐ Merger
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I/we, the undersigned inventor(s) of my/our residence as listed, have invented certain new and useful improvements as below entitled, for which application for United States Letters Patent is made, said application having been executed on the date set forth below; and

WHEREAS, Ecowater Systems, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "Assignee"), a corporation of the State of Delaware, with an address of 1890 Woodland Drive, Woodbury, MN 55125-2913, desires to acquire my/our entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, entitled **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR USING POTASSIUM CHLORIDE IN A WATER SOFTENER** and in and to the said application and any Letters Patent that may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I/we assign to Assignee, all right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to said application and all patents which may be granted therefor, and all divisions, reissues, continuations, continuations-in-part and extensions thereof; and I/we authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents for said invention, or patents resulting therefrom insofar as my/our interest is concerned, to Assignee.

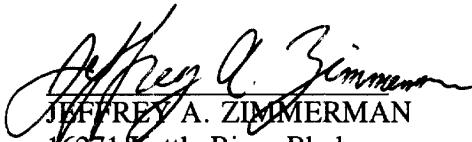
I/we also assign to Assignee, all right, title and interest in and to the invention disclosed in said application throughout the world, including the right to file applications and obtain patents, utility models, industrial models and designs for said invention in **Ecowater Systems, Inc.**'s own name throughout the world including all rights to publish cautionary notices reserving ownership of said invention and all rights to register said invention in appropriate registries; and I/we further agree to execute any and all powers of attorney, applications, assignments, declarations, affidavits, and any other papers in connection therewith necessary to perfect such right, title and interest in Assignee.

I/we will communicate to Assignee any facts known to me/us respecting any improvements; and, at the expense of Assignee, I/we will testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, reissue and substitute applications, make lawful oaths and declarations, and generally do everything possible to vest title in Assignee and to aid Assignee to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries.

This Assignment shall be binding on the parties' successors, assignees and legal representative.

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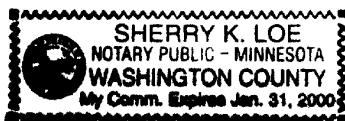
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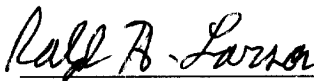
On this 22nd day of May, 1998, before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, appeared Jeffrey A. Zimmerman, to me personally known to be the same person who subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that execution of said document was a free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and seal the day and last year above given.



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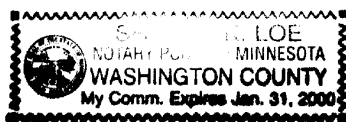
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On this 26th day of May, 1998, before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, appeared Ralph H. Larson, to me personally known to be the same person who subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that execution of said document was a free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

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