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**ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION  
AND OF LETTERS PATENT**

Whereas, I, Frances E. Lockwood, of the county of Scott, and whose address is 5326 Paris Pike, Georgetown, KY 40324; I, Richard Joseph Baumgart, of the county of Boyd, and whose address is 1418 Johnson Avenue, Ashland, KY 41101; and I, Michael Andrew Dituro, of the county of Cabell, whose address is 461 Linden Circle, Huntington, WV 25705, have invented certain improvements in a "LUBRICANT ADDITIVE FORMULATION" and have executed an application Serial No. 08/836,083 for United States Letters Patent therefor on November 3, 1995 based on International Application No. PCT/US95/14186; and

Whereas, ASHLAND INC., of Lexington, KY, a Delaware corporation whose address is 3499 Blazer Parkway, Lexington, KY 40509, (including its successors and assigns), desires to acquire my entire right, title and interest in said application and invention, and any United States and foreign patents to be obtained therefor;

Now therefore, in consideration of one dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said ASHLAND INC., the entire right, title and interest in said application and the invention disclosed therein for the United States of America and all countries foreign thereto, including rights of priority under the International Convention of Paris (1883) as amended and the entire right, title, and interest in

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I hereby authorize and request the U.S. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent granted upon the invention set forth in this application to said ASHLAND INC.

*Richard J. Baumgart*  
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Executed this 22nd day of August, 1997 at Lexington, KY.

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Before me personally appeared Richard J. Baumgart, and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this 22nd day of August, 1997.

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