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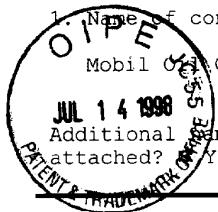
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Mobil Oil Corporation of 3225 Gallows Road, Fairfax, Virginia 22037 U.S.A., is a joint owner with Kobe Steel, Ltd., by assignment, of a divisional application for letters patent of the United States of America Serial No. 08/974,231, filed November 19, 1997; and

WHEREAS, Kobe Steel, Ltd. of 3-18, Wakinoama-cho 1-chome, Chuo-ku, Kobe-shi, HYOGO, Japan a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Country of Japan (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application for letters patent and the inventions described therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of FIVE DOLLARS (\$5.00) and other valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Mobil Oil Corporation by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest for the territory of the United States of America in and to the aforesaid application for letters patent and the invention described therein and in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor and in and to any and all divisions, continuations, substitutions and renewals thereof.

Mobil Oil Corporation hereby authorizes and requests the Patent Office in the United States and its territorial possessions to issue any and all of said Letters Patent, when granted, to said ASSIGNEE as the assignee of its entire right,

title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and behoof of said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by Mobil Oil Corporation had this Assignment and sale not been made.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Mobil Oil Corporation, has caused these presents to be signed by its officer hereunto duly authorized.

Mobil Oil Corporation

Date: March 19, 1998 BY: Ronald A. Bleeker
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