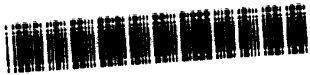


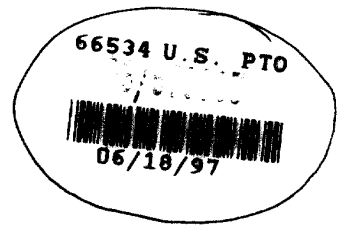
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1. The name of the parties conveying the interest is:

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2. The name and address of the party receiving the interest is:

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3. The interest being conveyed, and/or the transaction being recorded, is:

**the assignment of all right, title, and interest to any patents directed to
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS I, *Sean A. Brady*, residing at, 106 W. Celestial Drive, Greer, South Carolina 29651, together with *Robin H. Logan*, residing at 313 Fieldsedge Drive, Moore, South Carolina, 29369; *D. Chris Noel*, residing at 4001 Pelham Road, #284, Greer, South Carolina 29650; and *H. Walker Stockley, III*, residing at 25 Carlow Court, Spartanburg, South Carolina 29301, have jointly made an invention relating to packaging for products such as red meat or other food products, which invention is described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States entitled **CASE-READY PACKAGES HAVING SMOOTH, GAS-PERMEABLE SUBSTRATES ON THE BOTTOMS THEREOF TO REDUCE OR PREVENT DISCOLORATION WHEN PLACED IN A STACK**, and signed on this day; and

WHEREAS *W. R. Grace & Co.-Conn.*, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut at 1114 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, *Sean A. Brady, Robin H. Logan, D. Chris Noel* and *H. Walker Stockley, III*, by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer to *W. R. GRACE & CO.-CONN.*, its successors and assigns the full, exclusive, and world-wide right to the said invention and the entire right, title, and interest in, to, and under any Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States, in the territorial possessions of the United States, and in any country foreign to the United States, the same to be held and enjoyed by the said *W.R. GRACE & CO.-CONN.*, its successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us or by either of us had this assignment and sale not been made.

And we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States and the Patent Office officials in countries foreign to the United States to issue said Letters Patent to said *W.R. GRACE & CO.-CONN.*, as the assigns of our entire right, title, and interest in, to, and under the same, and hereby further authorize said *W.R. GRACE & CO.-CONN.* to apply for Letters Patent in our names or in its own name, as it in its sole discretion sees fit, utilizing any benefits which may exist under any International Arrangement, in any country foreign to the United States.

And we do hereby agree for ourselves and for heirs, executors, and administrators to execute any lawful document and to testify as to any material fact or thing which *W.R. GRACE & CO.-CONN.*, its successors and assigns may deem necessary in order to secure unto itself, its successors and assigns the full

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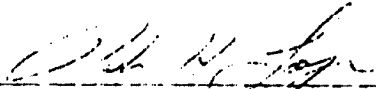
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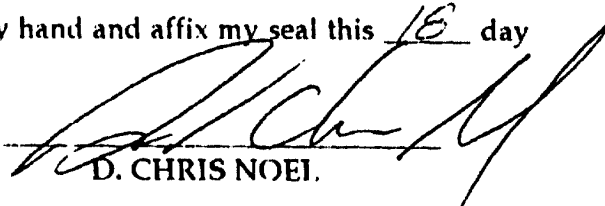
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