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PATENT APPLICATION ASSIGNMENT

Docket 174-97027

WHEREAS, we, RICARDO MOREIRA SEIXAS, a citizen of BRAZIL, residing at AV.MARECHAL RONDON 1155, RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL and BRUNO SCHAUERTE, a citizen of GERMANY, residing at RUA EDGARD WERNECK 368, RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL have Invented new and useful Improvements in a

FLOWLINE CONNECTION SYSTEM

S.N. 09/124,715, filed 07/30/98

for which application is being made for Letters Patent, said application being executed by me on the date of \_\_\_\_\_, 1998 and further being identified by Attorney's Docket No. 174-97027.

WHEREAS, ASS VETCO GRAY INC., a corporation of the State of DELAWARE, having a correspondence address of 10777 NORTHWEST FREEWAY, HOUSTON TEXAS 77252-2291, is desirous of acquiring our entire right, title and interest in said application and our Letters Patent which may issue thereon.

NOW THEREFORE, be it known by all whom it may concern that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, we hereby assign to said corporation, both in and for the territory of the United States of America and the entire world, all my title and interest in and to said invention, patent application and any patent which may issue thereon, including all divisions, continuations, reissues, continuations-in-part and substitutions thereof, plus all priority rights for patent applications foreign to the United States of America.

We further hereby assign and transfer to said corporation whatever cause of action we may have for past or present infringement of said invention, together with the right to bring suit for any such infringement and to seek and receive damages and other relief arising from any such infringement.

We HEREBY covenant and agree that we will at any time, upon the request and at the expense of said corporation, execute and deliver any and all papers and do all lawful acts that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title and said invention, applications and patents, and we authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue Letters Patent to said corporation.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I execute this Assignment on the 10 day of AUGUST, 1998.

Ricardo Moreira Seixas  
RICARDO MOREIRA SEIXAS

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I execute this Assignment on the 28 day of July, 1998.

Bruno Schaurte  
BRUNO SCHAUERTE