

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Hoechst Celanese Corporation ("HCC"), a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at 30 Independence Boulevard, Warren, New Jersey 07060, is the owner of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/043,276 (corresponding to International Application No. PCT/US96/14967 filed September 18, 1996); and

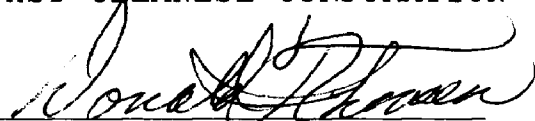
WHEREAS, CELGARD LLC ("CELGARD"), a limited liability company under the laws of the State of Delaware, having a place of business at 13800 South Lakes Drive, Charlotte, North Carolina 28273, has acquired from HCC all right, title, and interest in, to, and under: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/043,276.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration set forth in the Asset Transfer Agreement between HCC and CELGARD dated January 1, 1998, HCC hereby assigns, transfers, and conveys to CELGARD its entire right, title, and interest in, to, and under U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/043,276 (including all rights to damages and profits arising from any past and/or future infringement of said U.S. patent application and the right to sue for and recover the same), all said rights to be held by CELGARD for its own use and enjoyment and for the use and enjoyment of its successors and assigns to the full end of the term of the U.S. patent application.

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be the original and all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, HCC has caused this Agreement to be executed this 1st day of January, 1998 by its duly authorized officer.

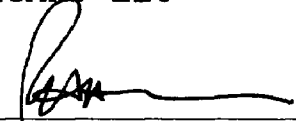
HOECHST CELANESE CORPORATION

By 
Donald R. Thorsen

Title: Assistant Secretary

Date 9-10-98

CELGARD LLC

By 
Robert H. Hammer III

Title: Secretary

Date 9/8/98

State of North Carolina)
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County of Mecklenburg)

On September 8, 1998, before me a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, appeared Robert H. Hammer III, to me personally known to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed said instrument as his free and voluntary act, and for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

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

Janice B. Davis
Janice B. Davis, Notary Public

My Commission Expires: October 14, 2002

State of New Jersey)
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County of Somerset)

On September 16, 1998, before me a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, appeared Ronald R. Tassen, to me personally known to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed said instrument as his free and voluntary act, and for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

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

Mary Erin Brennan
Mary Erin Brennan, Notary Public

My Commission Expires: April 14, 2003

MARY ERIN BRENNAN
Notary Public of New Jersey
My Commission Expires April 15, 2003