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SCHUNK (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR");

Hereby sell, assign and transfer to Mannesmann Aktiengesellschaft (hereinafter

referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation of Germany, having a place of business at

Mannesmannufer 2, 40213 Düsseldorf, Germany, its successors, assigns and legal

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improvements in its own name, and that, when requested, without charge to but at the expense

of said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, to carry out in good faith the

intent and purpose of this assignment, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing,

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