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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Mark A. Ferguson, residing at P.O. Box 1203, Barbourville, Kentucky 40906, Dwayne A. Becknell, residing at 101 Ketcham Street, Unit 5, Barbourville, Kentucky 40906, Daniel F. Brady, residing at 3996 Braddock Road, High Point, North Carolina 27265 and Martin D. Schenk, residing at 908 Yearling Way, Nashville, Tennessee 37221, made certain new and useful inventions and improvements for which we filed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on August 25, 1998, application Serial No. 09/140,115 which is entitled REMOVABLE WAREWASHING APPARATUS.

AND WHEREAS, Ecolab Inc., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, and having an office and place of business at Ecolab Center, St. Paul, Minnesota 55102 (hereinafter "Assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions, improvements and application and in and to the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency whereof is hereby acknowledged, we have sold, assigned, and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee, its successors or assigns, the entire right, title and interest for all countries in and to all inventions and improvements disclosed in the aforesaid application, and in and to the application, all divisions, continuations, or renewals thereof, all Letters Patent which may be granted therefrom, and all reissues or extensions of such patents, and in and to any and all applications which have been or shall be filed in any foreign countries for Letters Patent on the inventions and improvements, including an assignment of all rights under the provisions of the International Convention, and all Letters Patent of foreign countries which may be granted therefrom; and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all United States Letters Patent for the aforesaid inventions and improvements to the Assignee as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the use of the Assignee, its successors and assigns.

AND, for the consideration aforesaid, we do hereby agree that we and our executors and legal representatives will make, execute and deliver any and all other instruments in writing including any and all further application papers, affidavits, assignments and other documents, and will communicate to

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 24 day of

Sept, 1998.

Dwayne A. Becknell
Dwayne A. Becknell

STATE OF Kentucky)
) ss.
COUNTY OF Knox)

On this 24 day of Sept, 1998, before me personally appeared Dwayne A. Becknell to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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Diana Loria
Notary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 9th day of

October, 1998.

Daniel F. Brady
Daniel F. Brady

STATE OF North Carolina)
) ss.
COUNTY OF Guilford)

On this 9th day of October, 1998, before me personally appeared Daniel F. Brady to me known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

[SEAL]

Lorely Anne Kutz
Notary Public

My commission expires 7-11-01

