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ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION
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Whereas, We, British-American Tobacco (Germany) GmbH, Alsterufer 4, D-20354, Hamburg, Germany, own rights to certain improvements in a "METHOD AND DEVICE FOR CONTROLLING THE OUTPUT HUMIDITY OF TOBACCO", corresponding to German Patent Application 197 51 525.8 filed November 20, 1997, by virtue of British-American Tobacco (Germany) GmbH laying claim to said invention;

Whereas, Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation of Louisville, Kentucky, a Delaware corporation whose post office address is 1500 Brown & Williamson Tower, Louisville, Kentucky 40202, (including its successors and assigns), desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to the application for United States Letters patent on this invention and Letters Patent to be issued upon this application;

Now therefore, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, the entire right, title and interest in said application and the invention disclosed therein and for all Letters Patent of the United States of America which may be granted thereon, including rights of priority under the International Convention of Paris (1883) as amended and the entire right, title, and interest in and to any and all patent applications, patents, continuations, continuations-in-part, divisionals, and reissues based thereon which may be filed or granted therefor. We also agree to

cooperate with Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation and to execute without additional consideration any additional documents as deemed necessary by Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation to apply for or maintain patents or other legal protection for the invention in the United States.

We hereby authorize and request the U.S. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent granted upon the invention set forth in this application to said Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation



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