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AND, WHEREAS, BOEHRINGER MANNHEIM GmbH, (hereinafter ASSIGNEE), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany and having its principal office and place of business at Sandhoferstr. 116, D-68305 Mannheim, Federal Republic of Germany is desirous of acquiring an interest therein.

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