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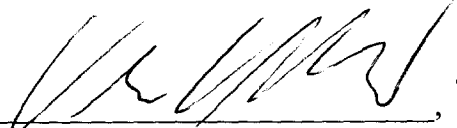
WHEREAS, I, Klaus Keller, of Wangen, Switzerland, have developed certain inventions described in a patent application titled METHOD FOR CVD SURFACE COATING AND CVD REACTOR SYSTEM filed on October 5, 1998 as U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/166,513, having full right to convey his entire right, title and interest, both legal and equitable, in and to said inventions, free from all prior assignments, agreements, licenses, mortgages, security interests, or other encumbrances whatsoever; and

WHEREAS, Verschleiss-Schutz-Technik Keller GmbH & Co. KG ("Assignee"), of Schopfheim, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention or inventions and any and all patents to be obtained therefor;

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(L.S.) X  X December 05 1998
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