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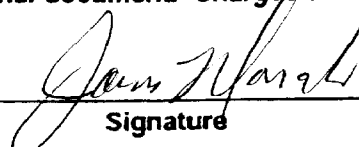
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, IMC AGRIBUSINESS INC. , a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, having a place of business at 6 Executive Drive, P. O. Box 1986, Collinsville, IL 62234-1986, (the "Assignor,") is the owner of the patent applications and patents listed on the attached Schedule A, as evidenced by a document recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 9114, Frame 0064 (the "Patents").

WHEREAS, Assignor, effective as of July 1, 1998, declared a dividend of all of the assets, rights and business of the ice-melter operations of Assignor including the Patents (the "Ice-melter Assets") to The Vigoro Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Vigoro"), and simultaneously therewith Vigoro declared a dividend of the Ice-melter Assets to IMC Global Inc., a Delaware corporation ("IMC"), and simultaneously therewith IMC made a capital contribution and assignment of the Ice-melter Assets to IMC Inorganic Chemicals Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Inorganic"), and simultaneously therewith Inorganic made a capital contribution and assignment of the Ice-melter Assets to Harris Chemical North America, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Harris"), and simultaneously therewith Harris made a capital contribution and assignment of the Ice-melter Assets to NAMSCO Inc., a Delaware corporation ("NAMSCO"), and simultaneously therewith NAMSCO made a capital contribution and assignment of the Ice-melter Assets to IMC Salt Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Assignee") (the aforementioned dividends and contributions being collectively referred to as the "Transactions"); and

WHEREAS, Assignee, having a place of business at 2100 Sanders Road, Northbrook, Illinois, desires to evidence its acquisition through the Transactions of the entire right, title and interest in and to the Patents.

NOW, THEREFORE, to further evidence the Transactions, in consideration of valuable and legally sufficient consideration, the receipt of which by the Assignor from the Assignee is hereby acknowledged, the Assignor has assigned and transferred, and by these

presents does assign and transfer to the Assignee, its entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and the Patents; together with its entire right, title and interest in and to all continuations, divisions, renewals and extensions of any of the Patents; to have and to hold for the sole and exclusive use and benefit of the Assignee, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for all the Patents.

The Assignor hereby covenants and agrees, for both the Assignor and the Assignor's legal representatives, that, to the extent necessary and provided that Assignee shall bear all costs associated therewith, the Assignor will assist the Assignee in the prosecution, litigation and/or enforcement of the Patents; in vesting in the Assignee like exclusive title in and to all the Patents; and in the prosecution of any interference which may arise involving the Patents; and that the Assignor will execute and deliver to the Assignee any and all additional papers which may be requested by the Assignee to carry out the terms of this Assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Assignor has executed this agreement.

DATED: April 19, 1999

Rose Marie Williams
(Signature)

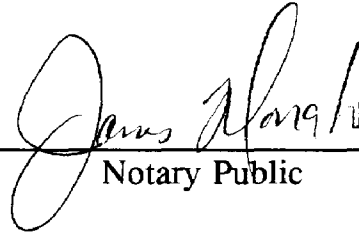
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Title: SECRETARY

STATE OF Illinois)
) ss.
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I, JAMES F. DONATO, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that ROSE MARIE WILLIAMS, personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that (s)he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as his/her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

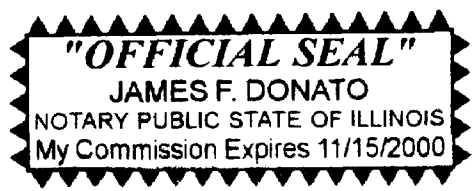
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Notarial Seal,
this 19th day of APRIL, 1999.



Notary Public

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SCHEDULE A

U.S. Patents - IMC AgriBusiness Inc.

IMC-1	U.S. Patent No. 4,512,907 issued April 23, 1985
IMC-1 RE	U.S. Reissue Patent No. Re 32,477 issued August 18, 1987
IMC-3	U.S. Patent No. 4,960,531 issued issued October 2, 1990
IMC-11	U.S. Patent No. 5,482,639 issued January 9, 1996

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