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hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNOR, has invented certain new and useful improvements in an invention entitled:

### NATURAL GAS DETECTION APPARATUS AND METHOD

which is described and claimed in an application for Letters Patent of the United States having Serial No. 08/812,281, a Filing Date of 06 March 1997, and naming as inventors Tom HENNINGSSEN, Tod A. OBLAK, Max GARBUNY, John M. ZOMP and L.L. (Tom) ALTPETER Jr.; said improvements as described and claimed in said application for Letters Patent of the United States, being hereinafter referred to as said "Invention"; and

WHEREAS, Gas Research Institute, a not-for-profit corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Illinois and having its principal office and place of business at 8600 West Bryn Mawr Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60631, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring ASSIGNOR'S entire right, title and interest in and to said Invention, and in, to and under Letters Patent therefor in the United States and countries foreign thereto;

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