

05-24-1999

## NOTATION FORM COVER SHEET

From:

Modif:



PATENTS ONLY

5.7.99

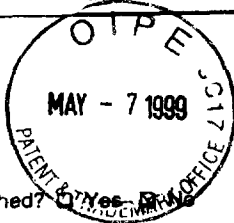
PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.

101044425

and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

## 1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Diego Fernandez Echegaray  
 Antonio Augusto M. Velloso  
 Matthew Lincoln Wagner

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ☒ Yes ☐ No

## 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.  
 39 Old Ridgebury Road  
 Danbury, CT. 06810-5113  
 United States of America

## 3. Nature of conveyance:

☒ Assignment

Execution Date: November &amp; December 11, 1998

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

## 4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: \_\_\_\_\_

## A. Patent Application No.(s)

Serial No. 09/220,818  
 Filed 12/24/98

## B. Patent No.(s)

Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

## 5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Miss Joann M. Jelsa  
 PRAXAIR, INC.  
 Law Department - M1 557  
 39 Old Ridgebury Road  
 Danbury, CT. 06810-5113

## 6. Total number of applications and patents involved:

1

## 7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$40.00

☒ Authorized to be charged to deposit account

## 8. Deposit account number:

16-2440

(Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying by deposit account)

5/21/1999 DNGUYEN 00000350 162440 09220818

DO NOT USE THIS SPACE

01 FC:5A1 40.00 CH

## 9. Statement and signature.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Robert J. Follett  
 Name of Person Signing

Robert J. Follett  
 Signature

5/5/99  
 Date

Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document:

5

Mail documents to be recorded with required cover sheet information to:  
 Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks, Box Assignments  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

PATENT  
 REEL: 009959 FRAME: 0314

## ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION, PRIORITY RIGHTS AND RIGHTS TO APPLY FOR PATENTS

We, the undersigned, Diego Fernandez Echegaray, an Engineer and Citizen of Uruguay; Antonio Augusto M. Velloso, an Engineer and Citizen of Brazil; and Matthew Lincoln Wagner, an Engineer and Citizen of the United States of America, residing at Cond. Amazonas no. 173/902 Imbui, Salvador, Bahia, Brazil 41130530; Rua Clião Arouca, 54, Salvador, Bahia, Brazil 40290-160; and 259 Fisher Avenue, White Plains, New York 10606, respectively.

HEREBY STATE UNDER OATH that we are the original, first and true inventors of an invention for METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF NITRIC ACID as described and/or claimed in our application for Letters Patent in the United States of America, executed on the 11th day of November & December, 1998, (Docket No. D- 20669 ).

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of our employment by Praxair, Inc. manufacturers, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of America, having an office at 39 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury, Connecticut 06810-5113, United States of America, and in fulfillment of our pre-existing obligation of assignment to our employer,

WE DO HEREBY ASSIGN, TRANSFER AND SELL our entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention and application unto

### PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.

technology licensors, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of America, its successors and nominees, having an office at 39 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury, Connecticut 06810, United States of America and being a wholly owned subsidiary of the said Praxair, Inc., as the Assignee, without any restrictions, reservations or limitations, the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid application for Letters Patent and all patents which may be granted thereon, and all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues and extension thereof;

INCLUDING ALL RIGHTS in and to said invention in any country of the world, including, but not limited to, all priority rights derived from the aforesaid application for Letters Patent by virtue of the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and for any and all member countries of the aforesaid International Convention;

AND FURTHER INCLUDING THE SOLE RIGHT to file such applications under the Patent Laws of any country of the world in its name and/or ours, and the sole right to have patents granted on said applications in its name and/or ours to the full end of the term for which said patents may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this assignment not been made, and to enforce said patents with our right to sue in any court of competent jurisdiction and obtain all remedies available, including but not limited to injunctions and to recover lost profits or compensatory and enhanced damages and attorneys fee for any and all infringements thereof,

AND AUTHORIZE our attorney of record to insert below in this instrument the serial number and filing date of said application;

AND AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents on said invention resulting therefrom to said PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. as Assignee of the entire right, title and interest, and covenant that we have the full right so to do, and agree that we will communicate to said PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. or its representatives any facts known to us

respecting said invention and testify in legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, continuation-in-part, extensions and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid said PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. its successors, assigns, or nominees, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries.

SIGNED AND SEALED AT Camagui, Bo, Br this 11<sup>th</sup>  
day of December, 19 98.

WITNESSES:

1. Mania Gorte dos Santos Rocha.

2. Diego Fernandez Echegaray

Diego Fernandez Echegaray  
DIEGO FERNANDEZ ECHEGARAY

State of BRITIA )  
County of Camagui ) ss:

This ELEVENTH day of DECEMBER, 19 98, before me personally came

the above-named Diego Fernandez Echegaray to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who has acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

(Seal)



Diego Fernandez Echegaray  
Notary Public

SIGNED AND SEALED AT Comacri, Ba, Br this 11<sup>th</sup>  
day of December, 1998.

WITNESSES:

1. Maria Geste de Santos Rocha.

2. [Signature]

[Signature]  
ANTONIO AUGUSTO M. VELLOSO

State of Bahia )  
County of Camacri ) ss:

This 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1998, before me personally came the  
above-named Antonio Augusto M. Velloso to me  
personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who has acknowledged to  
me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set forth.



[Signature]  
Notary Public

SIGNED AND SEALED AT Tarrytown, NY this 11<sup>th</sup>  
day of November, 1998.

WITNESSES:

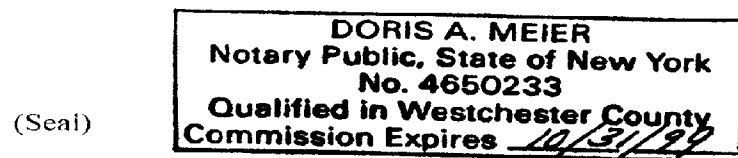
1. Dorothea Hall

2. [Signature]

[Signature]  
MATTHEW LINCOLN WAGNER

State of New York )  
County of Westchester ) ss: Tarrytown

This 11<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1998, before me personally came the  
above-named Matthew Lincoln Wagner to me  
personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who has acknowledged to  
me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set forth.



[Signature]  
Notary Public

ACCEPTANCE

WE, the undersigned, PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. of 39 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury, Connecticut 06810, United States of America, do hereby declare that we have accepted the foregoing assignment.

Danbury, Connecticut, U.S.A. May 5, 19 99

(Seal)

PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.

Margaret Smith  
Witness:

By: Joann M. Jelsa  
Joann M. Jelsa  
Authorized Agent

Christine Monahan  
Witness:

The application identified above as Docket No. D-20669 was filed in the  
United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 24, 19 98 and was given  
Serial Number 09/220,818.

This insertion was made by me this 5th day of May, 1999

Robert J. Follett  
Attorney For Applicant  
Robert J. Follett