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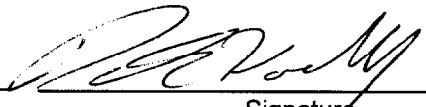
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Sarath K. Katta, a citizen of India, and we, Sambasiva R. Chigurupati and Wayne R. Moore, citizens of the United States of America, and all residents of the City of Omaha, County of Douglas and State of Nebraska, have invented a certain new and useful product:

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for which we are about to make or have made application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, ConAgra, Inc., a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and having its principal place of business at 1521 North 16th Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68100-2498, is desirous of acquiring an interest in, to and under said invention, said application, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted for or upon said invention in the United States of America and all countries foreign thereto.

NOW THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, we, Sarath K. Katta, Sambasiva R. Chigurupati, and Wayne R. Moore have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the said ConAgra, Inc. the full and exclusive right, title and interest, throughout the world, in, to and under the following:

- (a) said invention as fully set forth and described in the specification prepared, and executed by me preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent of the United States therefor;
- (b) said application;
- (c) any and all refilings, divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part of said application;

(d) any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America which may issue from said application, refilings, divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part;

(e) any and all reissues and reexaminations of said Letters Patent of the United States of America;

(f) any and all applications for Letters Patent upon said invention which may hereafter be filed in any and all countries foreign to the United States of America;

(g) any and all refilings, divisions and continuations of said foreign-filed applications;

(h) any and all Letters Patent of countries foreign to the United States of America which may issue from the said foreign-filed applications, refilings, divisions and continuations; and

(I) any and all extensions of, and additions to, said Letters Patent of countries foreign to the United States of America.

ALL of the above shall be held and enjoyed by the said ConAgra, Inc. for its own use and benefit, and for its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment.

EXECUTED this 13th day of May, 1999.

Sarath K. Katta
Sarath K. Katta

SR
Sambasiva R. Chigurupati

Wayne R. Moore
Wayne R. Moore

STATE OF NEBRASKA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS)

On this 13 day of May, 1999, before me personally appeared **Sarath K. Katta, Sambasiva R. Chigurupati, and Wayne R. Moore** to me known to be the persons described in, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and they duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

C.L. Wiater
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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