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ASSIGNMENT OF U.S. AND FOREIGN PATENT RIGHTS

WHEREAS, I, George P. Baummer, of Dycon Corporation, domiciled at P.O. Box 28265, Panama City, Florida 32411-8265 (Assignor), is the present and sole owner of record of the Letters Patent Number 5,057,211, issued on October 15, 1991, entitled **BENEFICATION APPARATUS AND PROCESS FOR LAND AND SEABED MINING**, hereinafter the "U.S. Patent", and of the foreign Letters Patents listed in Attachment A, hereinafter the "Foreign Patents".

AND WHEREAS, Dycon Corporation, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maryland, and having a place of business at 512 Commerce Drive, Suite C & D, Holiday Plaza Branch, Panama City Beach, Florida 32407-5635, is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in the said U.S. Patent, the Foreign Patents, and the related inventions.

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN THAT, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I have sold, assigned and transferred, and do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said Dycon Corporation, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to (i) the inventions set forth and described in the specification forming a part of said U.S. Patent, (ii) the said U.S. Patent Number 5,057,211 and, (iii) the said Foreign Patents and, (iv) any and all other patents which may be granted for said inventions in the United States and all other countries, for the use and benefit of said Dycon Corporation, its successors and assigns.

AND I do hereby authorize and request the U.S. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent of the United States which shall be granted upon any divisional, continuing, substitute, reissue or renewal application or related to the U.S. Patent, to said Dycon Corporation, as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same.

AND I do hereby agree properly to execute and sign and deliver to Dycon Corporation, without further compensation, any powers of attorney, assignments, applications or other papers which may be necessary fully to secure to said Dycon Corporation, its successors and assigns, the invention and patents which are subject to this Assignment, and also to sign any related divisional, continuing, substitute, reissue or renewal applications which may be desired by Dycon Corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto respectively set my hand and affixed my seal on the date set out below:

Assignor's Signature: *George P. Baummer*
George P. Baummer

Accepted and agreed to by Dycon Corporation (Assignee)

By: *Thomas A. Strahm*
Name: *Thomas A. Strahm*
Title: *Vice President & Secretary*

Date *8-27-99*

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On this 27 day of August 1999, before me, a notary public, appeared George P. Baummer, known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing Assignment of U.S. and Foreign Patent Rights, and he duly acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.


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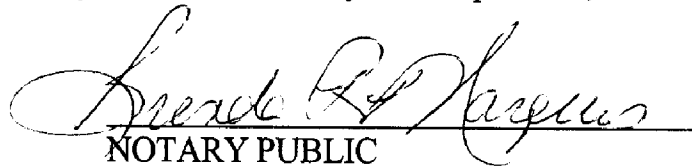
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On this 27 day of August, 1999, before me, a notary public, appeared ~~George P. Baummer~~ Thomas St. Hiron who duly stated under oath the he is V.P. & Sec (title) of Dycon Corporation and that he executed the foregoing Assignment of U.S. and Foreign Patent Rights on behalf of Dycon Corporation, as a free act and deed and with the authority to do so.


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ATTACHMENT "A"

1. Brazilian Patent Number: **PI9100057-2**, Date of Grant: **April 25, 1995**
2. Mexican Patent Number: **167550**, Date of Grant: **March 29, 1993**

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