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DEED OF ASSIGNMENT

Whereas, we, Dirk Emiel Paula MESTACH, Maarten Johannes Jacobus WEBER, Genevieve DELAUNOIT, and Wincenty Lambertus Stanislaw PILASZEK have invented certain new and useful improvements in AQUEOUS CROSS-LINKABLE POLYMER COMPOSITION FOR USE IN COATINGS AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, for which an application for United States Letters Patent has been executed; and

Whereas, **Akzo Nobel N.V.**, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of The Netherlands, with its principal office and place of business at 6824 BM Arnhem, The Netherlands is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and the invention therein disclosed, described and claimed; in any and all continuations and divisions of said application; in any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America which may issue from said application or continuations or divisions thereof, including any and all reissue or reissues, of such Letters Patent; and, in any and all foreign applications corresponding to said application or applications, and such foreign Letters Patent which may issue therefrom;

Now, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to us in hand paid by the said AKZO NOBEL N.V., the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we the Dirk Emiel Paula MESTACH, Maarten Johannes Jacobus WEBER, Genevieve DELAUNOIT, and Wincenty Lambertus Stanislaw PILASZEK have bargained, sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby bargain, sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said AKZO NOBEL N.V., its successors and assigns the entire right, title and interest in and to said application for Letters Patent, and the invention therein disclosed, described and claimed; in any and all continuations and divisions of said application; in any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America which may issue from said application or continuations or divisions thereof, including any and all reissue or reissues of such Letters Patent; and, in any and all foreign applications corresponding to said application or applications, and such foreign Letters Patent which may issue therefrom; the said AKZO NOBEL N.V., for its own use and behoof, and, for the use and behoof of its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, to the full end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent may be granted, reissued or extended, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made.

And we hereby authorize the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America for said invention, or resulting from said application or applications therefor, to the said **AKZO NOBEL N.V.**,

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And we further covenant and agree that we will at any time, upon request, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title to said invention, or any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor, in AKZO NOBEL N.V., its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, and that if the said AKZO NOBEL N.V., its successors, assigns or other legal representatives desire to secure a reissue or extension or division of said Letters Patent, we will, upon request, sign all papers, make all rightful oaths, and do all legal acts necessary and requisite for the application for such reissue, extension or division, and the procuring thereof.

And we further covenant and agree that we will at any time, upon request, communicate to AKZO NOBEL N.V., its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, any facts relating to the said invention and Letters Patent, or the history thereof known to me, and will testify as to the same in any inter-

ference or litigation when requested to do so.

Date 18/10/1999

Dirk Emiel Paula MESTACH

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