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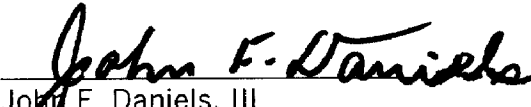
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I

PETER EDWARD JAMES ABBOTT, Glebe House, Muirfield Road, Eaglescliffe,
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have invented and own a certain invention entitled
PRODUCTION OF METHANOL

WHEREAS, I, as first and single inventor of the invention am executing an
application for Letters Patent of the United States on the same date as the
date appearing next to my signature below; and

WHEREAS, Imperial Chemical Industries PLC

having its head office at Imperial Chemical House, Millbank, London SW1P 3JF
is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the
inventions described in said specification, all applications filed or to be
filed for Letters Patent therefor, and all Letters Patent granted or to be
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NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby
acknowledged, I, by these presents, and intending to be legally bound, do
hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto the said Imperial Chemical Industries
PLC its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and
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application in such foreign countries, and all improvements on said inventions or variations thereof which I have made or may make hereafter, of all said inventions, applications, Letters Patents, and improvements or variations to be held and enjoyed by the said Imperial Chemical Industries PLC its successors and assigns for their own use and behalf, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by me had this sale, assignment and transfer not been made;

AND I AGREE TO execute upon request and without further consideration any and all instruments and documents for the filing and prosecution of applications for Letters Patent, including original, divisional, continuing, and re-issue applications, for the inventions assigned hereunder and for the assignment of the entire right, title, and interest therein to Imperial Chemical Industries PLC its successors and assigns;

AND I DO HEREBY AUTHORISE AND REQUEST The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and any official of any country, or countries, foreign to the United States whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue any said Letters Patent to Imperial Chemical Industries PLC its successors and assigns, as sole assignee.

PE Abbott

(Date) 2/11/99

PETER EDWARD JAMES ABBOTT

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