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09/449,303

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**PATENT**  
**REEL: 010590 FRAME: 0992**

**ASSIGNMENT**

We, Terrence E. Hogan, Chen-Chy Lin and William L. Hergenrother, have made an invention which now is described and claimed in an application for patent entitled METHOD TO CONTROL INCREASE IN VISCOSITY DURING AGING OF SILOXANE MODIFIED POLYMERS, which application

- ☐ is being executed and filed concurrently herewith.  
☒ was filed on 11/24/99 and now is designated as United States patent application number 09/449,303

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the obligations imposed by or arising under one or more of our employment agreement(s), state or national statutes, common law, and administrative regulation, I hereby do make the following assignments -

To **BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION**, a corporation created and duly organized under the laws of the nation of Japan and having a place of business at Tokyo, Japan, and its successors and assigns, we hereby

- > assign, transfer, and set over the full and exclusive right to the above-described invention and to the above-described application for letters patent of the United States as well as any substitute, continuation, continuation-in-part, or divisional application filed thereon and to any letters patent of the United States that issues from such application(s) as well as any reissue application or request for reexamination filed on such letters patent;
- > covenant and agree for ourselves and our legal representative(s) to
  - a) assist said assignee and/or its designee(s), to the extent requested, in the prosecution of said application for patent, in any interference declared on said application for patent or patent issuing therefrom, or in litigation which arises out of or is based on said application for patent or patent issuing therefrom, and
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- > covenant and agree for ourselves and our legal representative(s) to
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- provided that expenses relating thereto shall be borne by said assignee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have executed this document on the dates next to our respective names.

Terrence E. Hogan 1/19/00  
 Name: Terrence E. Hogan date  
William L. Hergenrother Jan 19, 2000  
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