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WHEREAS, W. Schlafhorst AG, of Blumenberger Str. 143-145, D-41060 Mönchengladbach, Germany (hereinafter referred to as "the Assignee") is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention and in and to the said Letters Patent;

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