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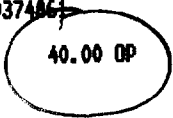
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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, WE, HANS- JOACHIM DIECKMANN and HEINZ GUTBERLET, residing at Grabenstr. 24, 44625 Herne, and 46348 Raesfeld, Jansdieck 12, respectively, Germany have made an invention entitled, METHOD OF SUPPRESSING THE FORMATION OF SULFURIC ACID AEROSOLE IN EXHAUST GAS PURIFICATION SYSTEMS.

WHEREAS, PREUSSEN ELECTRA ENGINEERING GMB H, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Germany, and having an office for the transaction of business at Bergmannsglückstrasse 41-43, 45896 Gelsenkirchen, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon, and in and to the said application for Letters Patent therefor, and any Letters Patent which may be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that WE, the said, HANS- JOACHIM DIECKMANN and HEINZ GUTBERLET, for valuable considerations unto us moving from said PREUSSEN ELECTRA ENGINEERING GMB H, at or before the en-sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said PREUSSEN ELECTRA ENGINEERING GMB H, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention, entitled, METHOD OF SUPPRESSING THE FORMATION OF SULFURIC ACID AEROSOLE IN EXHAUST GAS PURIFICATION SYSTEMS, U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/374,861, filed August 16, 1999, as a continuation of PCT/EP/00801, filed February 13, 1998, and any and all improvements thereon, and in and to said application and any division, continuation or continuation-in-part thereof, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued on any of said applications, and any reissues thereof, and in and to any and all applications for Letters Patent filed in foreign countries for said invention or improvements including all priority rights, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted in foreign countries therefor, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAME to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all said Letters Patent may be granted;

AND WE, the said HANS- JOACHIM DIECKMANN and HEINZ GUTBERLET, do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the said Letters Patent of the United States to said PREUSSEN ELECTRA ENGINEERING GMB H, as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and benefit of said PREUSSEN ELECTRA ENGINEERING GMB H, its successors and assigns;

AND WE, the said, HANS- JOACHIM DIECKMANN and HEINZ GUTBERLET, for the considerations aforesaid, do hereby covenant and agree to and with said , its successors and assigns, that we have the full power to make this assignment, and that the rights assigned are not encumbered by any grant, license or right heretofore given, and that we, our executors or administrators, shall and will do all lawful acts and things and make, execute and deliver without further compensation, any and all other instruments in writing, further applications, papers, affidavits, powers of attorney,

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Subscribed and executed at Gelsenkirchen  
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on 29.03.2000  
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