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**69/512,918**

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Name: **Stephen J. Moloney**

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**PATENT**  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>In Re Application of</b>	§	
Mark E. Van Dyke	§	<b>Date:</b>
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<b>Serial No.: 09/512,918</b>	§	<b>Action: Assignment</b>
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<b>Filed: February 25, 2000</b>	§	

**Title: Nonwoven Sheet and Film Containing Water Absorbent Keratin**

**TO: Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D. C. 20231**

WHEREAS, SOUTHWEST RESEARCH INSTITUTE (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR"), a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas, having its principal office at 6220 Culebra Road, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas, is the owner by assignment from Mark E. Van Dyke, Scott F. Timmons, Cheryl R. Blanchard, and Arlene J. Siller-Jackson of all their right, title and interest in a patent application for **Nonwoven Sheet and Film Containing Water Absorbent Keratin**, which has been executed by them on May 9, 2000; and

WHEREAS, KERAPLAST TECHNOLOGIES, LTD. (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation organized under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Texas, having a place of business at 19206 Huebner Road, Suite 102, San Antonio, Texas, is desirous of obtaining ASSIGNOR'S right, title and interest in and to said patent application and the inventions therein described and claimed and any Letters Patent that may be issued upon said patent application or for the inventions therein contained.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) lawful money of the United States and other valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned and transferred and does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, its right, title and interest in and to said patent application

and the inventions therein contained, including: (1) the right to apply for any Letters Patent in the United States and in all foreign countries on said invention; (2) the right to claim for such foreign applications the priority date of said United States patent application, including the right to priority under the International Convention of 1883 and any later modifications thereof; and (3) all rights in and to any Letters Patent that may issue thereon or therefor, in the United States or foreign countries, including all reissues, extensions, renewals, divisions and continuations, and continuations-in-part thereof.

ASSIGNOR requests that any and all such Letters Patent for said invention be issued to ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, or to such nominees as it may designate.

ASSIGNOR agrees that it will at any time upon request of ASSIGNEE communicate to ASSIGNEE any facts known to it relating to the said invention and the history thereof, and will without cost or charge to ASSIGNOR, but at the expense of ASSIGNEE, execute all papers, including depositions, answers to interrogatories and other like documents and papers which may be necessary, desirable or convenient for securing, maintaining and enforcing patents for said invention in any and all countries and for vesting title thereto in ASSIGNEE or its nominees, and further, ASSIGNOR agrees to use its best efforts to cause its employees and former employees to do likewise, if such is requested by ASSIGNEE.

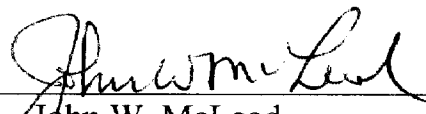
ASSIGNOR further covenants with ASSIGNEE that the right and property herein conveyed are free and clear of any encumbrance, and that ASSIGNOR has the full right to convey the same as herein expressed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I John W. McLeod, have hereunto set my hand and seal on behalf of said corporation this 9<sup>th</sup> day of MAY, 2000.

SOUTHWEST RESEARCH INSTITUTE

(Seal)

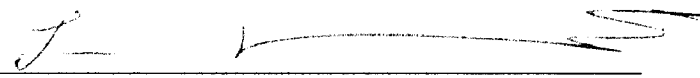
By

  
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John W. McLeod  
Title General Counsel

STATE OF TEXAS       §  
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On this 9<sup>TH</sup> day of MAY 2000, before me, Louis Rodriguez, a Notary Public for the State of Texas, personally appeared JOHN W. MC LEOD known to me and being duly sworn by me, did depose and say that he resides at 7585 Ingram Road #2106, San Antonio, Texas; that he is General Counsel of SOUTHWEST RESEARCH INSTITUTE, the corporation that executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument was said corporate seal; that it was so affixed by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation and that he signed his name thereto by like authority.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this 9<sup>TH</sup> day of MAY, 2000.

  
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Notary Public, State of Texas

