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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:  
Please record the attached original documents or copies thereof.

1. Name(s) of conveying party(ies):

Degussa Aktiengesellschaft, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

2. Name(s) and Address(es) of receiving party(ies):

Degussa-Hüls Aktiengesellschaft  
Weissfrauenstrasse 9  
60311 Frankfurt am Main  
Germany

3. Nature of conveyance: Change of Name  
Execution Date:

4A. Patent Application No.(s):

Application execution date :

4B. Patent No.(s): 5,693,709

5. Name and Address of Party to whom correspondence regarding this document should be mailed:

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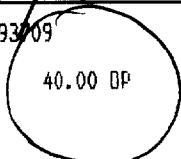
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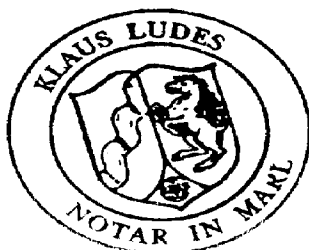
### Notarial Certificate

After having inspected the register of commerce no. HR B 2050 at the Municipal Court at Marl on March 3, 1999, I, the undersigned notary public Klaus Ludes for the district of the Regional Court of appeal at Hamm with residence at Marl, hereby certify that the stock corporation Hüls Aktiengesellschaft, having its registered office at Marl, Federal Republic of Germany, has been merged with Degussa Aktiengesellschaft, domiciled in Frankfurt am Main, by merger contract dated November 9, 1998, such merger implemented by acquisition of the total assets of Degussa Aktiengesellschaft by Hüls Aktiengesellschaft. The name of Hüls Aktiengesellschaft has been amended to "Degussa-Hüls Aktiengesellschaft". The merger and the change of name have been entered in the register of commerce on February 1, 1999.

Marl, March 3, 1999

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "KL" or similar initials.

Notary public





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**Notarial Certificate**

After having inspected the commercial register No. HRB 47234 at the Municipal Court at Frankfurt am Main on July 30, 1999 I, the undersigned notary public Dr. Günter Paul within the district of the regional Court of Appeals at Frankfurt am Main with residence at Darmstädter Landstraße 125, Frankfurt am Main certify that the domicile of the stock corporation Degussa-Hüls Aktiengesellschaft has been moved from Marl to Frankfurt am Main and that this corporation is now registered with the commercial register at the Municipal Court at Frankfurt am Main under No. HRB 47234. The change of domicile has been entered in the commercial register on June 8, 1999.

Frankfurt am Main, this July 30, 1999

  
Dr. Günter Paul  
Notary

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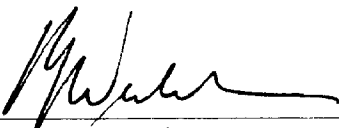
Submitted herewith for recordation at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is a Notarial Certificate relating to a Change of Name/Merger reflecting the fact that Degussa Aktiengesellschaft of Frankfurt am Main, Germany was merged with Hüls-Aktiengesellschaft on November 9, 1998 and the name of the company was changed to Degussa-Hüls Aktiengesellschaft with a domicile at Frankfurt am Main, Germany.

It is requested that this document be recorded with respect to U.S. Patent 5,693,709.

Our firm check in the amount of \$40.00 is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

SMITH, GAMBRELL & RUSSELL, LLP  
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