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Assignment of Application

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WHEREAS, I (WE)

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respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvements in

OBTAINING GLYCOLS OF LOW ALDEHYDE CONTENT

for which an application for Letters Patent was executed on

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