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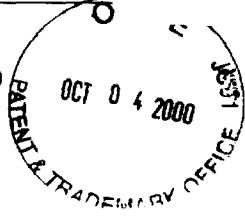
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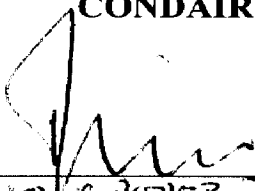
WHEREAS, CONDAIR AG, a corporation duly organized pursuant to the laws of Switzerland and having its principal place of business at Hieligholzstrasse 6, CH-4141, Munchenstein, Switzerland, is the owner by an Assignment recorded at Reel 6939, Frames 512-514, in the assignment records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office of the entire right, title, and interest in and to **United States Patent 5,526,461**, issued June 11, 1996, entitled "Evaporation Vessel And Electrode Arrangement For An Electrode Evaporator Having A Dummy Electrode" by Heiner Grieder and Marcel Mossner.

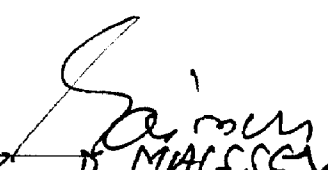
WHEREAS, AXAIR AG, a corporation duly organized pursuant to the laws of Switzerland and having its principal place of business at Talstrasse 35-37, CH-8808 Pfaffikon, Switzerland, (hereinafter referred to as the **ASSIGNEE**), is desirous of acquiring **CONDAIR AG's** (hereinafter referred to as the **ASSIGNOR**) interest in said United States patent;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations paid to **ASSIGNOR**, the receipt and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, **ASSIGNOR** has sold, assigned, and transferred and by these presents does sell, transfer, and set over unto said **ASSIGNEE** its entire right, title, and interest in and to said issued United States patent including all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, substitutions, reexaminations, reissues, and extensions thereof for the United States of America, its territories and possessions.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2000.

CONDAIR AG

By:   
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