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WHEREAS, we, **CESAR I. BASILIO**, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 1730 Columbine Road, Milledgeville, Georgia 31061 and **J. MICHAEL RANDOLPH**, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 515 Lakeside Townhome Court, Evans, Georgia 30809, have invented certain inventions and improvements disclosed in an application for Letters Patent entitled **IMPROVED PROCESS FOR BENEFICIATION OF MIXTURES OF MINERAL PARTICLES**, filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 16, 1999 and designated as U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/293,298; and

WHEREAS, **THIELE KAOLIN COMPANY**, a corporation of the State of Georgia having a principal business address of P.O. Box 1056, Sandersville, Georgia 31082, is desirous of acquiring an interest in such inventions and improvements and in this U.S. patent application;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of Five Dollars (\$5.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which we hereby acknowledge, we, **CESAR I. BASILIO** and **J. MICHAEL RANDOLPH**, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto **THIELE KAOLIN COMPANY**, the full, exclusive and entire right, title and interest in and to this U.S. patent application, in and to any divisions, continuations-in-part, continuations and reissues of this U.S. patent application, and in and to all inventions and improvements disclosed and described in this U.S. patent application,

preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent of the United States therefor; and we hereby request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent of the United States resulting from this U.S. patent application, or from a division, continuation-in-part, continuation or reissue thereof, to **THIELE KAOLIN COMPANY**, as the assignee, for its interest and for the sole use and benefit of **THIELE KAOLIN COMPANY** and its assigns and legal representatives.

For the same consideration, we, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer to **THIELE KAOLIN COMPANY**, the full, exclusive and entire right, title and interest in and to any foreign applications corresponding to this U.S. patent application, in whole or in part, in countries other than the United States, in and to any Letters Patent and similar protective rights granted on such foreign applications, and in and to the right to claim any applicable priority rights arising from or required for such foreign applications under the terms of any applicable conventions, treaties, statutes or regulations; such foreign applications to be filed and issued in the name of **THIELE KAOLIN COMPANY**, or its designee insofar as permitted by applicable law.

AND, for the same consideration, we agree to sign all lawful papers, execute all division, continuation-in-part, continuing, reissue and other applications, make all assignments and rightful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid **THIELE KAOLIN COMPANY**, its successors, assigns and nominees, to obtain and enforce proper

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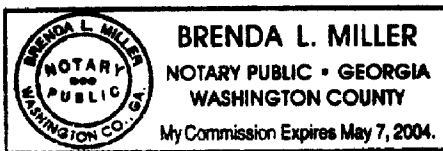
Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of Georgia, on this 3rd day of April, 2000, personally appeared **CESAR I. BASILIO**, who being duly sworn, signed and acknowledged the foregoing Assignment as his free act and deed.



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J. MICHAEL RANDOLPH

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Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State of Georgia, on this 3rd day of April, 2000, personally appeared **J. MICHAEL RANDOLPH**, who being duly sworn, signed and acknowledged the foregoing Assignment as his free act and deed.



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