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1. Name of conveying party(ies): <b>DOW DEUTSCHLAND INC.</b> Zweigniederlassung, Stade Buetzflethersand, P.O. BOX 1120 21677 Stade, GERMANY	2. Name and address of receiving party(ies): <b>THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY</b> 2030 Dow Center, Abbott Road Midland, Michigan 48640 United States of America
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3. Nature of conveyance:

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Execution Date(s) **July 30, 1998**

4. Application Number(s) or Patent Number(s):

60/057,278 Filed on August 29, 1997  
 09/129,580 Filed on August 5, 1998

If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is:

Additional Application Number(s) or Patent Number(s) are attached.

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:  Graham E. Taylor The Dow Chemical Company Intellectual Property P. O. Box 1967 Midland, Michigan 48641-1967 United States of America	6. Total number of applications and patents involved: <b>2</b>  7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) <b>\$80.00</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please deduct the above fee from our Deposit Account  8. <b>Deposit Account 04-1512.</b> If this estimate is incorrect, please debit or credit our account accordingly.
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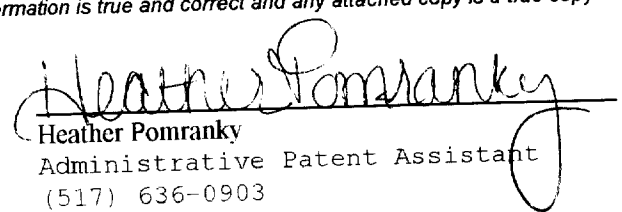
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9. Statement and signature:

*To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.*

Dated: November 14, 2000

  
 Heather Pomranky  
 Administrative Patent Assistant  
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FORM 660

# ASSIGNEE ACCEPTANCE

WE, the ASSIGNEE: **THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY**  
**2030 Dow Center**  
**Midland, Michigan 48674**  
**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

hereby accept the ASSIGNMENT attached hereto which is dated: July 30, 1998

From, the ASSIGNOR: **DOW DEUTSCHLAND INC.**  
**Zweigniederlassung, Stade**  
**Buetzflethersand, P.O. Box 1120**  
**21677 Stade**  
**GERMANY**

of the invention entitled:

**SHEET MATERIALS SUITABLE FOR USE AS A FLOOR, WALL OR CEILING COVERING MATERIAL, AND PROCESSES AND INTERMEDIATES FOR MAKING THE SAME**

without any restrictions and with all rights and obligations deriving therefrom and declare that this confirmation of acceptance shall be deemed a part of the said ASSIGNMENT.

Signed at Midland, Michigan 48674, U.S.A.  
this 30 day of July 19 98

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SIGNATURE  
  
By: Stephen S. Grace  
**STEPHEN S. GRACE**  
General Patent Counsel

## NOTARIAL CERTIFICATE (Corporation)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA )  
STATE OF Michigan ) SS  
County/Parish of Midland )

On this 30 day of July 19 98, personally appeared before me, **STEPHEN S. GRACE, General Patent Counsel, THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY,**

known or identified to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing document and acknowledged the same as a free act and deed for uses and purposes therein expressed by authority of the said Corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of America.

I further certify that said authority, dated **July 14, 1994**, is based on

**A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the said Corporation**

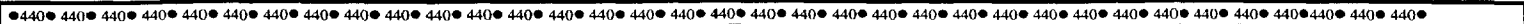
which I have seen, appointing the said individual **Attorney-in-fact** with full power to sign the foregoing document on behalf of the said corporation and that the purposes for which said document is granted are within the scope of the objects or activities of said corporation.

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Notary Public

**MARY L. DUBEY**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC, MIDLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN**  
**MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 12, 2002**

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FORM 440

# ASSIGNMENT (with Priority Rights) and INVENTORSHIP DECLARATION

We, ASSIGNOR, of: **DOW DEUTSCHLAND INC.  
Zweigniederlassung, Stade  
Buetzflethersand, P.O. Box 1120  
21677 Stade  
GERMANY**

a Corporation organized and existing under the laws of **the STATE OF DELAWARE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** and organized and existing under the laws of **GERMANY** do hereby claim and declare that we hold the invention and all patent and other rights and powers obtainable or exercisable in respect thereof from the sole, true and first inventor(s):  
**Wolfgang Quack, Mozartstrasse 15, D-40822 Mettmann, Germany**

by an Assignment dated: **16 June 1998** of an invention relating to and entitled:

**SHEET MATERIALS SUITABLE FOR USE AS A FLOOR, WALL OR CEILING COVERING MATERIAL, AND PROCESSES AND INTERMEDIATES FOR MAKING THE SAME**

We do hereby declare, **EFFECTIVE AS OF AUGUST 29, 1997**, for good and valuable consideration received, sell, assign, and transfer unto:

WE, the ASSIGNEE: **THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY  
2030 Dow Center  
Midland, Michigan 48674  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

a corporation organized and existing under the laws of **the State of Delaware, United States of America** our entire right, title and interest throughout the world, in and to the invention and all rights and powers to make application for Letters Patent in its own name, or in the name of its nominee; and all rights and powers to file any reissue, divisional, continuing or substitute application and any corresponding applications in any and all countries, including all rights to claim priority under all International Conventions and Treaties in the name of said Assignee, and do hereby authorize said Assignee to insert here the Priority Number **60/057,278** and Filing Date **August 29, 1997** in the United States of America of the application on which the priority will be based; and in and to any Letters Patent that may be issued for said invention in any and all countries; and we do hereby agree to assist said Assignee in the prosecution of the said applications and in any interference, conflict, opposition or litigation which may arise involving said invention or the patent or patents thereon, and to execute any reissue, divisional, continuing or substitute application and assent to their making any applications in other countries corresponding to the above and below specifically identified application, as may be requested by said Assignee; and we do hereby authorize said Assignee to insert here the Corresponding Application No. **09/129,580** and Filing Date **August 5, 1998** in the United States of America of the corresponding application in any country where that patent property must be entered for recordal of this Assignment, and we do hereby authorize and request that any such Letters Patent be issued to said Assignee in accordance herewith, and consent to the recordal of this Assignment being under covenant, not only that we have full power to make the same, but also that such assigned rights are not encumbered by any grant, license, or other right heretofore given.

Subscribed and Sworn by us at Midland, Michigan 48674, U.S.A.

this 30 day of July 19 98

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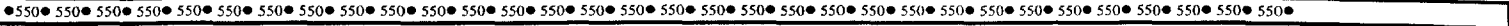
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DOW DEUTSCHLAND INC.

By: 

**STEPHEN S. GRACE  
General Patent Counsel, THE DOW CHEMICAL  
COMPANY, authorized to act for and on behalf of DOW  
DEUTSCHLAND INC.**

Attach Notarial Certificate (Corporation)

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FORM 550

### NOTARIAL CERTIFICATE (Corporation)

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STATE OF Michigan ) SS  
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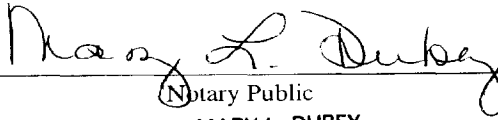
On this 50 day of July, 1998, personally appeared before me, **STEPHEN S. GRACE, General Patent Counsel, THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY, authorized to act for and on behalf of DOW DEUTSCHLAND INC.,** known or identified to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing document and acknowledged the same as a free act and deed for uses and purposes therein expressed by authority of the said Corporation incorporated under the laws of **the STATE OF DELAWARE, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and organized and existing under the laws of GERMANY.**

I further certify that said authority, dated **June 21, 1996**, is based on

**Authority of a Power of Attorney**

which I have seen, appointing the said individual **Attorney-in-fact** with full power to sign the foregoing document on behalf of the said corporation and that the purposes for which said document is granted are within the scope of the objects or activities of said corporation.

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Notary Public

MARY L. DUBEY  
NOTARY PUBLIC, MIDLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 12, 2002


**TRUE COPY**

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME,

I Do Hereby Certify that the annexed document(s) are TRUE COPIES of the original document(s) which I have compared.

at Midland, Michigan 48674, USA

this 14 day of November 20 00

  
Heather Pomranky  
Office Professional  
THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY

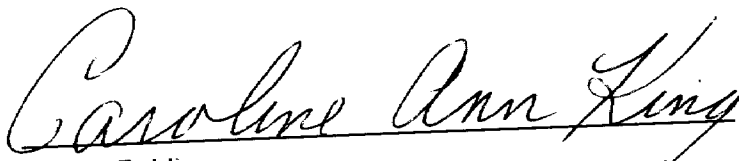
**NOTARIAL CERTIFICATE**


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On this 14 day of November 20 00, personally appeared before me,

**Heather Pomranky**

known or identified to me to be the individual who executed the foregoing document and acknowledged the same as a free act and deed for uses and purposes therein expressed.

  
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CAROLINE ANN KING  
NOTARY PUBLIC, GLADWIN COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
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