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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Michael D. Staley, residing at 10541 Lemarie Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45241 have made an invention in: PROCESS FOR PURIFYING POLYCARBOXYLIC ACIDS, and am about to make application for United States Letters Patent therefor, the same being executed by me on the 19th day of Systember, 2000;

AND, WHEREAS, Cognis Corporation (Cognis Corp.), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and having an office and a place of business at Gulph Mills, Pennsylvania, is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in said application and in any Letters Patent which may issue thereon;

THEREFORE, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, \underline{I} do hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto the said Cognis Corp., its successors, assigns, and legal representatives all right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon for all countries of the world, and in and to said application, including the right to claim priority under the International Convention based on said patent application, and any patent which may issue thereon, and all right, title and interest in and to every patent application filed or to be filed on said invention in any other country, including renewals, revivals, continuations and divisions thereof, and any substitute applications therefor, and any and all patents which may issue thereon, and any reissues and extensions of the same; and \underline{I} hereby authorize and request competent authorities to grant and issue any and all patents on said invention to the said Cognis Corp. as the assignee of the entire interest therein; and I further agree to execute upon request of the assignee such additional documents, if any, as are necessary and proper to secure patent protection on said invention throughout all countries of the world, and to otherwise give full effect to, and perfect the rights of the assignee under, this Assignment.

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IN TESTIM	ONY WHEREOF, I	have hereunto	signed <u>my</u> name and
affixed my seal a	- CINCINNATI	, Ohro	, United
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on this day of SEPTEMBER, 2000 appeared before me in person the above-named Michael D. Staley and acknowledged the above to be his signature and that he signed, sealed and delivered the above instrument as his voluntary act and deed and for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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HEATHER ROY
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires June 13