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1. Name of conveying party(ies):

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Janek Porowski, David Lewis,
Wallace Murray and Marvin Skiff

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Name: Columbian Chemicals Company

Internal Address:

Street Address:

1800 West Oak Commons CourtCity: Marietta State: GA Zip: 30063-2253Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ NoAdditional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

3. Nature of conveyance:

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6,189,768Additional numbers attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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Signature

Date

2/20/01

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, Janek Porowski, David Lewis, Wallace Murray and Marvin Skiff are co-inventors of "Process and Apparatus for Pressing an External Sleeve Onto a Tube for Enhancing Weld Design", U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/320,791, filed 05/27/99; and

WHEREAS, COLUMBIAN CHEMICALS COMPANY, a corporation created and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, having a principal place of business at 1800 West Oak Commons Court, Marietta, GA 30063, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention throughout the world, and all right, title and interest in, to and under any and all Letters Patent of the United States and all other countries throughout the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid by Columbian Chemicals Company and for other good and valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over to Columbian Chemicals Company all right, title and interest in and to the said invention throughout the world, and said application for U.S. Letters Patent, and any and all divisions, continuations, and reissues thereof, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries which may be granted therefor, the same to be held and enjoyed by Columbian Chemicals Company for its own use and benefit, and for the use

and benefit of its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives, to the end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent of the United States or foreign countries are or may be granted or reissued, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made.

And we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent of the United States on said invention or resulting from said application and from any and all divisions, continuations, and reissues thereof, to Columbian Chemicals Company, as assignee of our entire interest, and hereby covenant that we have the full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith.

And we further hereby covenant and agree that we will, at any time, upon request, execute and deliver any and all papers that may be necessary or desirable to perfect the title of said invention and to such Letters Patent as may be granted therefor, to Columbian Chemicals Company, its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives and that if Columbian Chemicals Company, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives shall desire to file any divisional or continuation applications or to secure a reissue of such Letters Patent, or to file a disclaimer relating thereto, will upon request, sign all papers,

make all rightful oaths and do all lawful acts requisite for the filing of such divisional or continuation application, or such application for reissue and the procuring thereof, and for the filing of such disclaimer, without further compensation but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, or other legal representatives.

And we do further covenant and agree that we will, at any time upon request, communicate to Columbian Chemicals Company, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, such facts relating to said invention and Letters Patent or the file history thereof as may be known to us, and testify as to the same in any interference or other litigation when requested so to do, without further compensation but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, or other legal representatives.

Jan 25, 2001

DATE

Jan S. Porowski
Janek Porowski

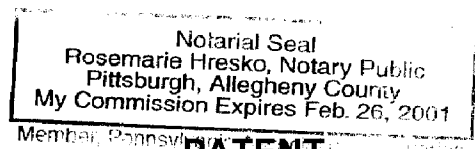
STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COUNTY OF Allegheny

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Janek Porowski, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 25th day of January 25, 2001.

Rosemarie Hresko
Notary Public in and for Pittsburgh PA



12/18/00
DATE

David Lewis
David Lewis

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared David Lewis, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 18th day of December, 2000.

Quinn Stelzig
Notary Public in and for
The State of GEORGIA
My commission expires

~~Notary Public, Cobb County, Georgia~~
~~My Commission Expires Jan. 12, 2004~~

12/18/00
DATE

Wallace G. Murray
Wallace Murray

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Wallace Murray, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 18th day of December, 2000.

Deanna S. Wright
Notary Public in and for
The State of GEORGIA
My commission expires

**Notary Public, Cobb County, Georgia
My Commission Expires Jan. 10, 2004**

x 1-9-01
DATE

x Marvin Skiff
Marvin Skiff

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Marvin Skiff, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 9th day of January, 2001.

Donna Lawrence
Notary Public in and for
The State of Arkansas
My commission expires

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 5-19-2003