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#### Assignment

This Assignment made and entered into is effective as of May 1, 2000 by and between Agritec, Inc., a Texas corporation, 1301 McKinney Street, Houston, Texas 77010 (hereinafter referred to as "Agritec"), and enviroGuard, Inc., a Delaware corporation, 3644 Westchase Drive, Houston, Texas 77042 (hereinafter referred to as "enviroGuard"); and

WHEREAS, Agritec has patent rights as set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto relating to and covering certain products of enviroGuard (hereinafter referred to as "Agritec Patent Rights"); and

WHEREAS, enviroGuard has certain patent rights relating to and covering products of Agritec as set forth on Exhibit B attached hereto (hereinafter referred to as "enviroGuard Patent Rights"); and

WHEREAS, Agrited desires to acquire all right, title, and interest in and to the enviroGuard Patent Rights; and enviroGuard desires to acquire all right, title, and interest in and to the Agrited Patent Rights.

NOW, THEREFORE, Agritec, for and in consideration of the assignment and transfer of the enviroGuard Patent Rights to it does hereby sell, assign, transfer, set over and convey unto enviroGuard all of its right, title and interest throughout the world in and to the Agritec Patent Rights, including inventions, improvements, patents, and patent applications set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto; including all substitutions for and divisions, continuations, and the

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like of said applications and patents and like grants, including without limitation, those obtained or permissible under past, present, and future laws or statutes; all rights of action on account of past, present, and future unauthorized use of said inventions and for infringement of said patents and like protection; the right of enviroGuard to file in its name applications for patents and like protection for said inventions in any countries foreign to the United States; all international rights or priority associated with said inventions, applications, and like protection; and all technical information, improvements, trade secrets and knowhow whether patented or not pertaining to said inventions.

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inventions in any countries foreign to the United States; all international rights or priority associated with said inventions, applications, and like protection; and all technical information, improvements, trade secrets and knowhow whether patented or not pertaining to said inventions.

Agritec covenants that Agritec, its legal representatives, assigns, will, at the expense of enviroGuard, its successors and assigns, execute all papers and perform such other acts as may be reasonably necessary to give enviroGuard, its successors and assigns, the full benefit of this Assignment.

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This Assignment shall be binding on and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective assigns.

Executed on this 1 day of May \_\_\_\_\_, 2000.

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State of Texas ) ) County of Harris ) On this <u>1</u>St day of <u>May</u>, 2000, before me, <u>Kim A. Shipley</u>, the undersigned officer, personally appeared, <u>Gregory R. Wellen</u>, who acknowledged himself to be <u>President</u> of Agritec, Inc., and that he, as such <u>President</u>, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

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the Notary Public in and for State of Texas

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On this 1st day of May , 2	000,
before me, Evely M WELBORN the undersigned off	icer,
personally appeared, Roy S. Rieber , who acknowl	edged
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In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

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### EXHIBIT A

### Patents

- 1. Patent No. 4,645,605 granted February 24, 1987 (Serial No. 630,482 filed July 13, 1984) Inventor: Robert L. Durham "Filtration with Biogenetic Silica"
- 2. Patent No. 4,460,292 granted July 17, 1984 (Serial No. 398,503 filed July 15, 1982) Inventors: Robert L. Durham, Carl. R. Henderson, Richard C. Allison II "Process for Containment of Liquids as Solids or Semisolids"

### EXHIBIT B

### Patents ·

1. Patent No. 5,833,940 granted November 10, 1998 (Serial No. 842,915 filed February 27, 1992) Inventors: Roy S. Rieber, William A. Mallow, Jesse R. Conner "Production of Soluble Silicates from Biogenetic Silica" (parent)

### Applications

1. U.S. serial No. 09/139,236 filed August 25, 1998 Inventors: Roy S. Rieber, William A. Mallow, Jesse R. Conner "Production of Soluble Silicates from Biogenetic

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