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For the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, **LEONARD V. CRIBBS**, residing at 6679 Eagle Creek Drive, Hamilton, Ohio 4501, and **BRADLEY P. ETHERTON**, residing at 11520 Kemper Woods Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45249, do hereby assign, sell and set over to Equistar Chemicals, L.P., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and having a place of business at One Houston Center, 1221 McKinney Street, Houston, Texas 77010, hereinafter referred to as the ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest, domestic and foreign, in and to the inventions and discoveries in

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Date: 1-16-, 2001



LEONARD V. CRIBBS

Date: Jan. 15, 2001



BRADLEY P. ETHERTON

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On this 16th day of JANUARY, 2001, personally appeared before me **LEONARD V. CRIBBS**, to me known to be the person named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

Margaret E. Bailey

Notary Public

My Commission expires: August 31, 2005

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MARGARET E. BAILEY
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On this 15th day of JANUARY, 2001, personally appeared before me **BRADLEY P. ETHERTON**, to me known to be the person named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

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