

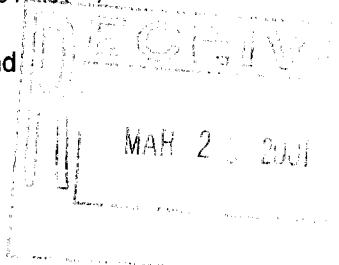
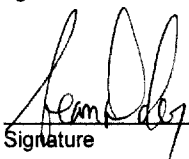
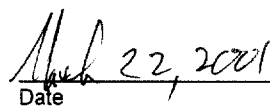
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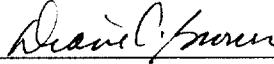
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WHEREAS, PLUG POWER INC., a corporation created and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid invention throughout the world, and all right, title and interest in, to and under any and all Letters Patent of the United States and all other countries throughout the world;

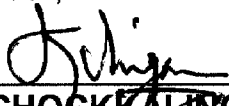
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And I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent of the United States on said invention or resulting from said application and from any and all divisions, continuations, and reissues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

And I further hereby covenant and agree that I 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 PLUG POWER INC., its successors, assigns, or other legal representatives and that if PLUG POWER INC., 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, I 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 I do further covenant and agree that I will, at any time upon request, communicate to PLUG POWER INC., 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 me, 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.

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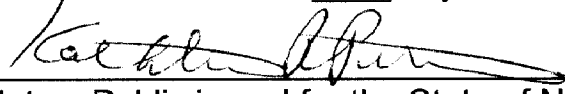

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared **CHOCKKALINGAM KARRUPAIAH**, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes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

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office this 23rd day of October, 2000.


Notary Public in and for the State of New York

KATHLEEN R. PETRUCCO
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Schenectady County
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EXECUTED THIS 23 day of October, 2000.


Name: **JAMES F. McELROY**


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