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To: Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original document(s) or copy thereof. 1. Name of conveying party(ies) Jon A. Nichols 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies): Name: Rheodyne, LP Address: 600 Park Court, Rohnert Park, California 94928 3. Nature of conveyance Assignment Merger Security Agreement Change of Name Other License Agreement Execution Date: March 29, 2001 9824865 Application Number(s) or Patent Number(s): New 4. The title of the (new) application is: MULTI-VALVING SAMPLE INJECTION APPARATUS 5. Please send all correspondence concerning this (these) documents to: Customer Number: 022434 BEYER WEAVER & THOMAS, LLP P.O. Box 778 Berkeley, CA 94704-0778 Phone (510) 843-6200 PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Fax (510) 843-6203 6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1 Total fee (37 CFR 3.41): \$40.00 7. Enclosed Any deficiencies in the fees are authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. RHE1P003) To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document. Date: April 2, 2001 Michael L. Louie Registration No. 36,988

Attorney Docket No. RHE1P003

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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

(Accompanying Application)

Whereas I/we the undersigned inventor(s) have invented certain new and useful improvements as set for in the patent application entitled:

MULTI-VALVING SAMPLE INJECTION APPARATUS

(Atty. Docket No.: RHE1P003) for which I (we) have executed an application for a United States Letters Patent.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I/We the undersigned inventor(s) hereby:

- 1) Sell(s), assign(s) and transfer(s) to Rheodyne, LP, a <u>California</u> limited partnership having a place of business at 600 PARK COURT, Rohnert Park, California 94928 (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), the entire right title and interest in any and all improvements and inventions disclosed in, application(s) based upon, and Patent(s) (including foreign patents) granted upon the information which is disclosed in the above referenced application.
- 2) Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patents resulting from said application or any division(s), continuation(s), substitutes(s) or reissue(s) thereof to the ASSIGNEE.
- 3) Agree to execute all papers and documents and, entirely at the ASSIGNEE's expense, perform any acts which are reasonably necessary in connection with the prosecution of said application, as well as any derivative and applications thereof, foreign applications based thereon, and/or the enforcement of patents resulting from such applications.
- 4) Agree that the terms, covenants and conditions of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of the Assignee, its successors, assigns and other legal representative, and shall be binding upon the inventor(s), as well as the inventor's heirs, legal representatives and assigns.
- 5) Warrant and represent that I/we have not entered, and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding that conflicts with this assignment.

Signed on the date(s) indicated beside my (our) signature(s).

1) Signature: Jon G. Michael Date: 29 Mar 2001
Typed Name: Jon Nichols

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