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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Francoise CANDAU, Joseph SELB, Paul MALLO and Olivier BRAUN, hereafter referred to as "applicant(s)", have invented certain new and useful improvements in New Polymers, The Process for Their Preparation and the Invert Latexes Containing Them,

(a) for which an application for a United States patent was filed on December 28, 2000, Application No. 09/749771,

(b) for which an application for a United States patent was executed on _____, and

WHEREAS, SOCIETE D'EXPLOITATION DE PRODUITS POUR LES INDUSTRIES CHIMIQUES SEPPIC, of 75, Quai d'Orsay, 75321 Paris Cedex 07, France, hereinafter referred to as "assignee", is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), the receipt whereof is acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, applicant(s), by these presents, do/does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said assignee the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents which may be granted therefor in the United States, for its sole use and behoof, and for the use and behoof of its legal representatives, to the full end of the term for which said patents may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by applicant(s) had this assignment and sale not been made.

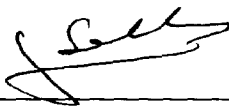
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Date: 16 February 2001



Francoise CANDAU

Date: 16 February 2001



Joseph SELB

Date: 16 February 2001



Paul MALLO

Date: 16 February 2001



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