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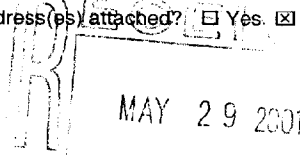
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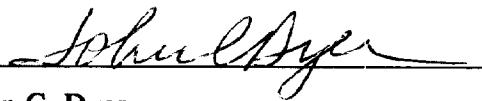
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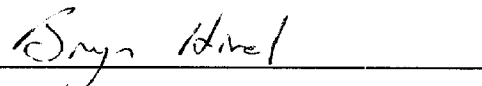
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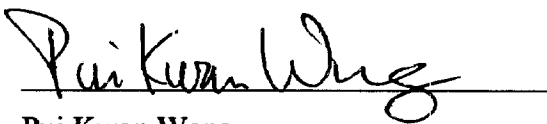
We, John C. Dyer, Bryn Hird, and Pui Kwan Wong, of Cincinnati, County of Hamilton, State of Ohio, of Cincinnati, County of Hamilton, State of Ohio, and, of Houston, County of Harris, State of Texas, respectively, have made a certain new and useful invention as set forth in an application for United States Letters Patent entitled BIODEGRADABLE AND/OR COMPOSTABLE POLYMERS MADE FROM CONJUGATED DIENES SUCH AS ISOPRENE AND 2,3-DIMETHYL-1, 3-BUTADIENE, Attorney's Docket 5542, executed by us, respectively, the 24th day of March, 1995, the 24th day of March, 1995, and the 20th day of March, 1995, Serial No. 08/370,923, filed the 10th day of January, 1995:  
30th March

We made said invention set forth in said patent application while employed by The Procter & Gamble Company or Shell Oil Company, and acknowledge our obligation at the time the invention was made to assign said invention to The Procter & Gamble Company and to Shell Oil Company. Pursuant to said obligation, we assign to The Procter & Gamble Company and to Shell Oil Company jointly, and jointly to their legal representatives, successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest, including the right to claim priority of the filing date of said patent application under international conventions, in said invention as set forth in said patent application, and in all patents of the United States and of any foreign country which may be issued for said invention, as fully and completely as the same would have been held by us had this assignment not been made. The entire right, title and interest shall vest irrevocably in The Procter & Gamble Company and Shell Oil Company as joint owners. We further agree upon request, without additional compensation but at no expense to us, to execute or assent to foreign applications, and to execute all other legal documents as may be necessary or desirable to vest the enjoyment of the rights assigned to The Procter & Gamble Company and Shell Oil Company jointly, and jointly to their legal representatives, successors and assigns, or as said joint owners may direct.

AND we request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued for said invention to said The Procter & Gamble Company, its legal representatives, successors or assigns, and to Shell Oil Company, its legal representatives, successors or assigns, as joint owners of the entire right, title, and interest in said patent and the invention covered thereby.

  
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John C. Dyer

  
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Bryn Hird

  
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Pui Kwan Wong

State of Ohio }  
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County of Hamilton }

On this 24th day of March 1995, before me personally appeared John C. Dyer to me known to be the person named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Eric W. Gilling

Eric W. Gilling, Attorney at Law  
Notary Public - State of Ohio  
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On this 24th day of March 1995, before me personally appeared Bryn Hird to me known to be the person named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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On this 20th day of March 1995, before me personally appeared Pui Kwan Wong to me known to be the person named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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