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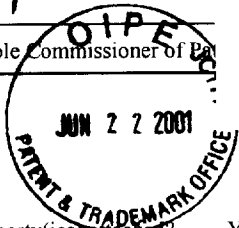
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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents



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Frank TIETZ



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09/736,443

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

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Neil F. Greenblum, Reg. No. 28,394  
Name of Person Signing

*Neil F. Greenblum*  
Signature

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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, Berndt BRENNER, a citizen of Germany, whose post office address is Ahornweg 24, 01474 Pappritz, Germany and Frank TIETZ, a citizen of Germany, whose post office address is Gartenheimsteg 7, 01277 Dresden, Germany, hereinafter referred to as the ASSIGNORS, have invented a certain improvement relating to

**PROCESS FOR PRODUCING WEAR-RESISTANT EDGE LAYERS IN  
PRECIPITATION-HARDENABLE MATERIALS,**

for which they have filed an application for Letters Patent for the United States in the United States Patent and Trademark Office December 15, 2000.

If this Assignment is filed after the filing date of the above-identified application, the undersigned hereby authorize and request any one of the attorneys of record in this application, including Neil F. Greenblum, Reg. No. 28,394, Bruce H. Bernstein, Reg. No. 29,027, Arnold Turk, Reg. No. 33,094, and James L. Rowland, Reg. No. 32,674, of the firm Greenblum & Bernstein, P.L.C., whose address is 1941 Roland Clarke Place, Reston, Virginia 20191, to insert here in parenthesis (Application No. 09/736.443, filed December 15, 2000) the filing date and application number of said application when known.

AND WHEREAS, Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft zur Foerderung der angewandten Forschung e.V., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Germany, whose post-office address is Leonrodstraße 54, 80636 München Germany, hereinafter known as the ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest for the United States, in and to said invention and application, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, including any and all renewals, reissues, and prolongations thereof.

NOW, THIS WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, said ASSIGNORS hereby assign, sell and transfer to said ASSIGNEE, their assigns and legal representatives, the entire and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention and application, for the United States, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, said ASSIGNEE and its assigns and legal representatives to have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said invention and application, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, including any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof, with all the rights, powers, privileges, and advantages in any ways arising from or pertaining thereto, for and during the term or terms of any and all such Letters Patent when granted, including any and all renewals, reissues, and prolongations thereof, for the use and benefit of said ASSIGNEE and its assigns and legal representatives in as ample and beneficial a manner to all intents and purposes as the said

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ASSIGNORS might or could have held and enjoyed the same, if this assignment had not been made.

AND said ASSIGNORS hereby agree to execute all papers necessary to file applications in the United States for said invention and to assign the same to said ASSIGNEE, or any assignee acquiring title to said invention, and to execute any other papers that may be needed in connection with filing said application and securing Letters Patent thereon.

AND said ASSIGNORS authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue Letters Patent on said application, and on any and all divisions and continuations thereof, to said ASSIGNEE, its assigns and legal representatives, in accordance herewith.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, this assignment is executed by Berndt BRENNER, this 13 day of June 2001, at (address) Alhornweg 24  
01328 Dresden, Germany

First Witness:

Jana Grafe  
(Name)

June 13, 2001  
(Date)

Berndt Brenner  
Berndt BRENNER

Second Witness:

Peter Mürk  
(Name)

June 13, 2001  
(Date)

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, this assignment is executed by Frank TIETZ, this 12 day of June 2001, at (address) Gartenheimweg 7, 01277 Dresden, Germany

First Witness:

Peter Nürk  
(Name)

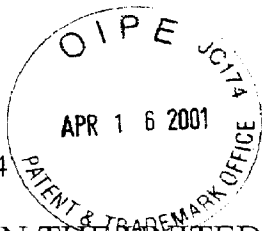
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Frank Tietz  
Frank TIETZ

Second Witness:

Steffe Bopp  
(Name)

12.06.2001  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Berndt BRENNER et al.

**Assignment Division**

Appln. No : 09/736,443

Filed : December 15, 2000

For : PROCESS FOR PRODUCING WEAR RESISTANT EDGE LAYERS IN  
PRECIPITATION HARDENABLE MATERIALS

**REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF NOTICE OF RECORDATION**

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants request that the name of the assignee, as recorded on December 15, 2000 at Reel 011366, Frame 0840, be corrected. The name of the assignee was correctly submitted in the original Recordation Cover Sheet filed in the above-captioned application. For the convenience of the Patent Office, Applicants enclose copies of the following documents:

**Copy of Executed Assignment**

**Copy of Original Notice of Recordation (with error circled)**

**Copy of Recordation Cover Sheet (as returned from PTO)**

The name of the assignee of the above-identified application, as it appears on the Notice of Recordation, is incorrect. The name of the assignee should read FRAUNHOFER, not FRAUNHOGGER as it appears on the Notice of Recordation.

Please correct the name of the assignee of the above-identified application to read as follows:

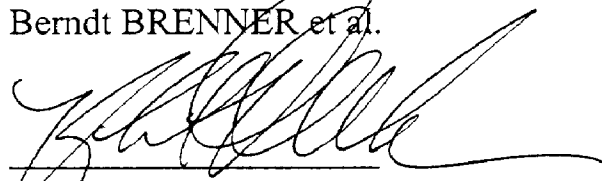
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and forward a corrected copy of the Notice of Recordation to the undersigned.

Applicants do not believe that any further fee is due; however, if any fee is necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should there be any questions or comments, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,  
Berndt BRENNER et al.



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Neil F. Greenblum  
Reg. No. 28,394 *RA 35,043*

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, this assignment is executed by Berndt BRENNER, this 13. day of December 2000, at (address) Q 1277 Dresden Winterhagenstr. 28

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