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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, **Laurence LADOUCE**, of the City of PARIS, FRANCE, **Etienne FLEURY**, of the City of IRIGNY, FRANCE, **Cécile GOUSSE**, of the City of MEYLAN, FRANCE, **Robert CANTIANI**, of the City of LYON, FRANCE, **Henri CHANZY**, of the City of LA TRONCHE, FRANCE, and **Gérard EXCOFFIER**, of the City of VAULNAVEYS-LE-HAUT, FRANCE, herein after termed the Assignors, are the inventors of certain new and useful improvements in the invention entitled

CELLULOSE MICROFIBRILS WITH A MODIFIED SURFACE, THEIR PROCESS OF PREPARATION AND THEIR USE

as set forth and described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, bearing Serial No. **09/787,272**, filed on **March 14, 2002**, which is a National Phase Application of **PCT/FR99/02148**, as filed on **September 09, 1999**, (Assignee empowered to complete this information when ascertained); and

WHEREAS, **RHODIA CHIMIE**, a corporation organized under the laws of France, having its principal place of business at 25, Quai Alphonse Le Gallo, 92512 BOULOGNE BILLANCOURT CEDEX, FRANCE, hereinafter termed the Assignee, desire to acquire said invention;

NOW THEREFORE, be it known that we, the Assignors, being under an obligation to assign said invention to **RHODIA CHIMIE**, at the time the invention was made, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby assign, sell, transfer and set over unto the Assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, application and the patent or patents now granted or to be granted thereon in the United States of America.

AND WE, the Assignors, hereby affirm that our title in and to the invention hereby conveyed is free from any and all outstanding licenses or adverse rights and we hereby covenant that we will, for the consideration aforesaid, hereafter execute any and all lawful documents and papers which may be necessary to completely vest the title to the invention, the application and United States patents, and to any continuation, continuation in part, renewal, division or reissue of the application or patents, in the Assignees, its successors or assigns;

AND WE, the Assignors, hereby request and authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted on the application to the Assignee, its successors and assigns.

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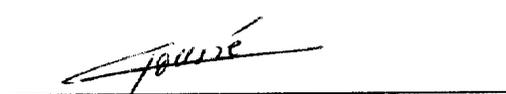
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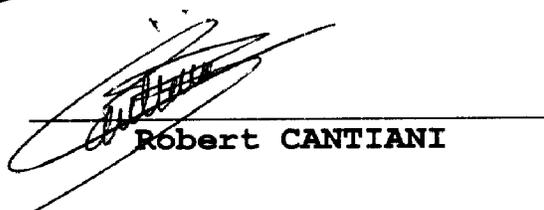
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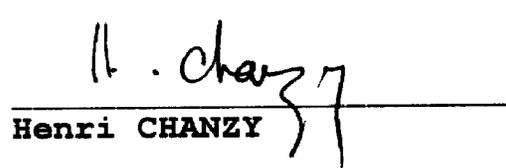
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