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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Klaus ELBERN, Robert LEFFERS and Albert RUMBACH, citizens of Federal Republic of Germany and residing at Brander Straße 33, D-52080 Aachen, Federal Republic of Germany; Frankfurter Straße 7 - 9, D-41236 Mönchengladbach, Federal Republic of Germany; and Höfchensweg 32, D-52076 Aachen, Federal Republic of Germany, respectively, have invented new and useful improvements in METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR REGENERATING A CONTAMINATED METAL BATH, for which we are about to make application for Letters Patent of the United States, said application having been executed by us on even date herewith; and

WHEREAS, Stolberger Metallwerke GmbH & Co KG, organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of Germany, having an office at Stolberg, Federal Republic of Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the application and invention therein described and claimed and any Letters Patent that may be issued upon the application or for the improvements therein contained.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of our employment by Stolberger Metallwerke GmbH & Co KG, and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency whereof is hereby acknowledged, we, Klaus ELBERN, Robert LEFFERS and Albert RUMBACH, have assigned and transferred and do hereby assign and transfer unto Stolberger Metallwerke GmbH & Co KG, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the application and the invention therein contained, including the right to apply for any Letters Patent in the United States of America on the invention, and any Letters Patent that may issue thereon or therefor, in the United States, and all reissues, extensions, renewals, divisions and continuations thereof, to the full end of the term or terms for which the Letters Patent may be issued, the same to be held and enjoyed by Stolberger Metallwerke GmbH & Co KG, its successors and assigns, the same as it would have

been held and enjoyed by us if this Assignment had not been made.

And we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all such Letters Patent to Stolberger Metallwerke GmbH & Co KG, its successors and assigns, in accordance with this instrument of Assignment.

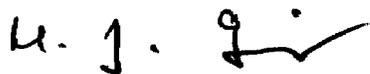
We hereby represent and warrant that there are no rights and interests outstanding inconsistent with the rights and interests granted herein and that we will not execute any instrument or grant or transfer any rights or interests inconsistent therewith, and we, Klaus ELBERN, Robert LEFFERS and Albert RUMBACH, bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators and legal representatives as the case may be, to execute and deliver to Stolberger Metallwerke GmbH & Co KG, its successors and assigns, any further documents or instruments and do any and all further acts that may be deemed necessary by Stolberger Metallwerke GmbH & Co KG, its successors and assigns, to vest in Stolberger Metallwerke GmbH & Co KG, its successors and assigns, the title herein conveyed, or intended so to be, and to enable such title to be recorded in the United States.

And we further covenant and agree, in consideration of the premises that we, Klaus ELBERN, Robert LEFFERS and Albert RUMBACH, our executors and administrators, will at any time upon request communicate to Stolberger Metallwerke GmbH & Co KG, its successors and assigns, any facts relating to the invention and improvements and the history thereof, known to us or our executors and administrators, and that we will testify as to the same in any interference, or other litigation when requested so to do by Stolberger Metallwerke GmbH & Co KG, its successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this 25th day of April, 2001.


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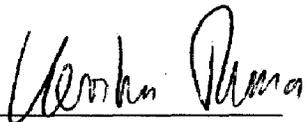
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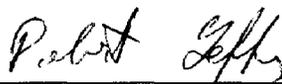
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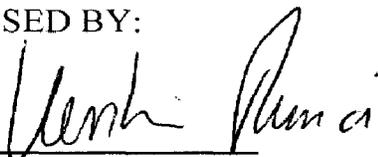
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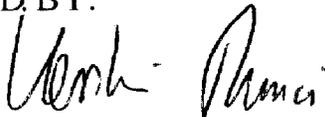
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