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4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):  
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<p>A. Patent Application No(s).  (1) <u>09/877,250</u>  (2) _____  (3) _____</p>	<p>B. Patent No(s).  (1) _____  (2) _____  (3) _____</p> <p>Additional numbers attached <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
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<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:</p> <p>Name: <u>Leonard C. Mitchard</u>  Internal Address: _____  Street Address: <u>Nixon &amp; Vanderhye P.C.</u>  <u>1100 North Glebe Road</u>  <u>8<sup>th</sup> Floor</u>  City: <u>Arlington</u> State: <u>VA</u> Zip: <u>22201</u></p>	<p>6. Total number of applications &amp; patents involved: <u>1</u></p> <p>7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41) \$ <u>40.00</u>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed  <input type="checkbox"/> Authorized to be charged to deposit account #14-1140</p> <p>8. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any <u>deficiency</u> in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper thereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our <b>Account No. 14-1140.</b></p>
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9. Statements and signature.  
To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Leonard C. Mitchard      [Signature]      August 15, 2001  
Name of Person Signing      Signature      Date

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I WILLIAMS, Bruce Leo A Subject of The Queen of Great Britain residing at The Willows, 4 Glenrock Park, Brough, East Yorkshire, HU15 1HF, United Kingdom have invented certain new and useful improvements in "PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF VINYL ACETATE" for which I have executed application for Letters Patent of the United States on the 22 day of MAY, 2001.

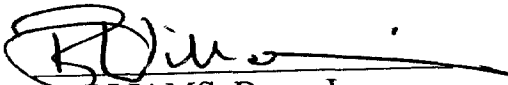
AND, WHEREAS BP Chemicals Limited having place of business at Britannic House, 1 Finsbury Circus, London, EC2M 7BA, England is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said application; and all Letters Patent which may be issued thereupon in the United States;

NOW THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said WILLIAMS, Bruce Leo have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto BP Chemicals Limited their successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, titles and interest in, to and under the said application, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon, and all reissues and extensions thereof; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND I HEREBY covenant that I have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that I have not executed, and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND I HEREBY further covenant and agree that I will communicate to the assignee herein, its successors, legal representatives and assigns any facts known to me respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful declarations, and generally do everything possible to aid the assignee herein, its successors, legal representatives and assigns in obtaining and enforcing proper patent protection for said improvements in the United States.

Dated:

  
WILLIAMS, Bruce Leo

Witnessed

