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have invented and own the entire United States right, title and interest in an invention for:

A Device for Holding a Container for a Composition that Produces an Antimicrobially Active Gas

disclosed in my (our) application for United States Letter Patent filed:

- concurrently herewith
on _____ and assigned Serial No. _____; and

I (we) hereby authorize and request any attorney of Vidas, Arrett & Steinkraus, P.A., Suite 2000, 6109 Blue Circle Drive, Minnetonka, MN 55343-9185, to insert the filing date and application number of said application above when known.

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NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of all of which is hereby acknowledged, I(we) hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto Assignee, its successors, and assigns, the entire right, title and interest, legal and equitable, in and to said invention, to said application for any and all countries, to any and all Letters Patent, and to any and all Design Letters Patent of any and all countries which may be granted thereon; and the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized and requested to issue all Letters Patent and all Design Letters Patent which may be granted to said invention to Assignee.

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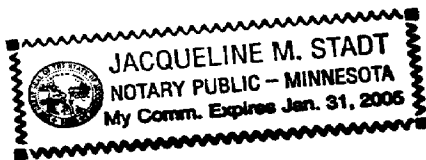
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