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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, Alfred H. Stiller, Janusz Plucinski, and Aaron Yocum, all citizens of the United States, residing at 443 Jefferson Street, Morgantown, West Virginia 26505; 416 Sixth Street, Glen Dale, West Virginia 26038; and 1847 Pedlar Run Road, Core, West Virginia 26529, respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvements in Methods of Making a Carbon Foam for which we filed Application Serial No. 09/654,211 having a filing date of September 1, 2000.

AND WHEREAS West Virginia University, a nonprofit West Virginia corporation, having a principal place of business at 886 Chestnut Ridge Road, Suite 208, Morgantown, West Virginia 26506, hereinafter called the "Assignee", is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said application and the inventions and improvements therein disclosed;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One (\$1.00) Dollar and other good and valuable consideration paid to us by said Assignee, receipt whereof we hereby acknowledge, we do hereby assign, sell, transfer, and set over unto said Assignee the entire right, title, and interest in and to said application and the inventions and improvements therein disclosed for the United States of America and all foreign countries and any Letters Patent which may issue therefor in the United States of America and all foreign countries and all divisions, reissues, continuations, renewals, and/or extensions thereof including all priority rights under the International Convention associated therewith for each country and the Union, said Assignee to have and to hold the interests herein assigned to the full ends of the terms of said Letters Patent and any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, renewals, and/or extensions thereof, respectively, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us had this assignment not been made.

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is requested to issue such Letters Patent in accordance herewith. We covenant that we are the lawful owners of the said application, inventions, and improvements, that the same are unencumbered, that no license has been granted to make, use, or vend the said inventions or improvements or any of them, and that we have the full right to make this assignment.

And for the consideration aforesaid, we agree jointly and individually that we will communicate to said Assignee or the representatives thereof any facts known to us respecting said inventions and improvements, and will, upon request, but without expense to us, testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, reissue, continuation, renewal, and/or extension applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do all other and further lawful acts, deemed necessary or expedient by said Assignee or by counsel for said Assignee, to assist or enable said Assignee to obtain and enforce full benefits from the rights and interests herein assigned. This assignment shall be binding upon our heirs, executors, administrators, and/or assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and/or assigns, as the case may be, of said Assignee.

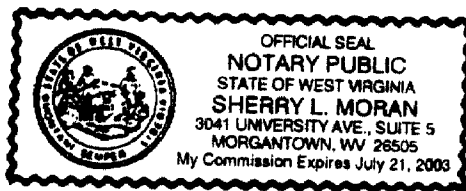
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Alfred H. Stuller (SEAL)
Alfred H. Stuller, Ph.D.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA)
COUNTY OF Monongalia) ss:
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Before me this 22nd day of August, 2001, personally appeared Alfred H. Stuller, to me personally known to be the person who is described in and who executed the above instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

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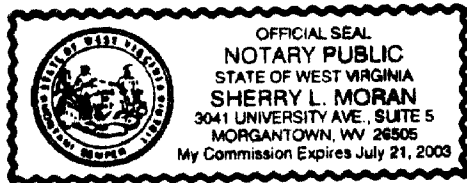
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Janusz Plucinski (SEAL)
Janusz Plucinski

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Before me this 22nd day of August, 2001, personally appeared Janusz Plucinski, to me personally known to be the person who is described in and who executed the above instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

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EXECUTED this 28th day of August, 2001.

Aaron D. Yocum (SEAL)
Aaron Yocum

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA)
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Before me this 28th day of August, 2001, personally appeared Aaron Yocum, to me personally known to be the person who is described in and who executed the above instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

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