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ASSIGNMENT

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STEPPED DOWNCOMER APPARATUS AND VAPOR-LIQUID CONTACT APPARATUS WITH SAME

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(check one)	a patent application for this invention, executed by the ASSIGNOR(S) concurrently with						
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The ASSIC	INEE referred to in this agreement is:						
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Further, the ASSIGNOR(S) agree(s) to communicate to said ASSIGNEE, or its representatives, any facts known to the ASSIGNOR(S) respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, substitute, renewed, reexamination and reissue applications, execute all necessary assignment papers to cause any and all Letters Patent to be issued to said ASSIGNEE, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything necessary or desirable to aid said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention.

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