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ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable consideration.

the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, We the undersigned, Annette LUKAS, Sabine

WISSEL, Wiltrud VOGT, Günter WERNER (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR"):

Hereby sell, assign and transfer to W. C. Heraeus GmbH & Co. KG,

(hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation of Germany, having a place of business

at Heraeusstrassse 12-14, D-63450 Hanau, Germany; its successors, assigns and legal

representatives, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in

and to any and all improvements which is the U.S. national stage application of International PCT

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and in and to said application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all

other applications for Letters Patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all

foreign countries on any of said improvements; and in and to all original and reissued patents

which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on said

improvements;

Agree that said Assignee may apply for and receive Letters Patent for said

improvements in its own name, and that, when requested, without charge to but at the expense of

said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, to carry out in good faith the

intent and purpose of this assignment, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing,

substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other patent applications on any and all said improvements;

execute all rightful oaths, assignments, powers of attorney and other papers, communicate to said

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Assignee, its successors, assigns, and representatives, all facts known to the undersigned relating to said improvements and the history thereof; and generally do everything possible which said Assignee, its successors, assigns or representatives shall consider desirable for aiding in securing and maintaining proper patent protection for said improvements and for vesting title to said improvements and all applications for patents and all patents on said improvements, in said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives; and

Covenant with said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by the undersigned, and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned.

Date: 19.06.01

Annette LUKAS

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Date: 26 Jun. 01

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