

11-16-2001



U.S. Department of Commerce
Patent and Trademark Office
PATENT

11-16-2001

TO: The Commissioner of Patents and

101897029

original document(s) or copy(ies).

Submission Type

☐ New

☐ Resubmission (Non-Recordation)
Document ID#

☐ Correction of PTO Error
Reel # Frame #

☐ Corrective Document
Reel # Frame #

Conveyance Type

☒ Assignment

☐ License

☐ Merger

☒ Security Agreement

☐ Change of Name

☐ Other

U.S. Government

(For Use ONLY by U.S. Government Agencies)

☐ Departmental File

☐ Secret File

Conveying Party(ies)

☐ Mark if additional names of conveying parties attached

Name (line 1) TASR Co. f/k/a Tate & Lyle North American Sugars, Inc.

Execution Date
Month Day Year
11 05 01

Name (line 2)

Second Party

Name (line 1)

Execution Date
Month Day Year

Name (line 2)

Receiving Party

☐ Mark if additional names of conveying parties attached

Name (line 1) Congress Financial Corporation (Florida)

Name (line 2)

Address (line 1) 777 Brickell Avenue

Address (line 2)

Address (line 3) Miami

Florida USA

33131

City

State/Country

Zip Code

☐ If document to be recorded is an assignment and the receiving party is not domiciled in the United States, an appointment of a domestic representative is attached. (Designation must be a separate document from Assignment)

Domestic Representative Name and Address

Enter for the first Receiving Party only.

Name

Address (line 1)

Address (line 2)

Address (line 3)

Address (line 4)

11/16/2001 LNUELLER 00000125 5045336

01 FC:581

80.00 DP

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Public burden reporting for this collection of information is estimated to average approximately 30 minutes per Cover Sheet to be recorded, including time for reviewing the document and gathering the data needed to complete the Cover Sheet. Send comments regarding this burden estimate to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Chief Information Officer, Washington, D.C. 20231 and to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0651-0027), Washington, D.C. 20503. See OMB nation Collection Budget Package 0651-0027, Patent and Trademark Assignment Practice. DO NOT SEND REQUESTS TO RECORD ASSIGNMENT DOCUMENTS TO THIS ADDRESS.

Mail documents to be recorded with required cover sheet(s) information to:
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Box Assignments, Washington, D.C. 20231

PATENT

REEL: 012302 FRAME: 0239

Correspondent Name and Address

Area Code and Telephone Number

212-661-9100 x 865

Name

Otterbourg, Steindler, Houston & Rosen, P.C.

Address (line 1)

Attn:Ellen M. Allen

Address (line 2)

230 Park Avenue

Address (line 3)

New York, New York 10169

Address (line 4)

Pages

Enter the total number of pages of the attached conveyance document
including any attachments. #

Application Number(s) or Patent Number(s)

Mark if additional numbers attached

Enter either the Patent Application Number or the Patent Number (DO NOT ENTER BOTH numbers for the same property).

Patent Application Number(s)

Patent Number(s)

| | | |
|--|--|--|
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |

SEE ATTACHED

| | | |
|---------|---------|--|
| 5045336 | 4567053 | |
| | | |
| | | |

SEE ATTACHED

Month Day Year

If this document is being filed together with a new Patent Application, enter the date the patent application
was signed by the first named executing inventor.

Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)

Enter PCT application number
only if a U.S. Application Number
has not been assigned.

PCT

PCT

PCT

PCT

PCT

PCT

Number of Properties

Enter the total number of properties involved. #

2

Fee Amount

Fee Amount for Properties Listed (37 CFR 3.41): \$

80.00

Method of Payment:

Enclosed ☒ Deposit Account ☐

Deposit Account

(Enter for payment by deposit account or if additional fees can be charged to the account)

Deposit Account Number: #

Authorization to charge additional fees:

Yes ☐No ☐

Statement 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. Charges to deposit account are authorized, as indicated
herein.

Ellen M. Allen

Name of Person Signing

Signature

Date

PATENT SECURITY AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement"), dated November 5, 2001, is by and between TASR CO., f/k/a Tate & Lyle North American Sugars, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Debtor"), with its chief executive office at One Federal Street, Yonkers, New York 10702, and CONGRESS FINANCIAL CORPORATION (FLORIDA), a Florida corporation, as agent (in such capacity "Secured Party"), having an office at 777 Brickell Avenue, Miami, Florida 33131.

W I T N E S S E T H :

WHEREAS, Debtor has adopted, used and is using, and is the owner of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the United States patents and patent applications therefor described in Exhibit A hereto and made a part hereof;

WHEREAS, Debtor has entered or is about to enter into financing arrangements with Secured Party, in its capacity as collateral and administrative agent under the Loan Agreement (as defined below), Bank of America, N.A. in its capacity as syndication agent under the Loan Agreement ("Syndication Agent") and the financing institutions which are from time to time parties to the Loan Agreement as lenders ("Lenders") pursuant to which Secured Party, Syndication Agent and Lenders may make loans and advances and provide other financial accommodations to Debtor as set forth in the Loan and Security Agreement, dated of even date herewith, by and among Secured Party, Syndication Agent, Lenders, Debtor and certain of its affiliates (as the same now exists or may hereafter be amended, modified, supplemented, extended, renewed, restated or replaced, the "Loan Agreement"); capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meaning specified in the Loan Agreement; and

WHEREAS, in order to induce Secured Party, Syndication Agent and Lenders to enter into the Loan Agreement and the other Financing Agreements and to make loans and advances and provide other financial accommodations to Debtor pursuant thereto, Debtor has agreed to grant to Secured Party for the benefit of Lenders certain collateral security as set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Debtor hereby agrees as follows:

1. GRANT OF SECURITY INTEREST

As collateral security for the prompt performance, observance and indefeasible payment in full of all of the Obligations (as hereinafter defined), Debtor hereby grants to Secured Party for

the benefit of Lenders a continuing security interest in and a general lien upon the following (being collectively referred to herein as the "Collateral"): (a) all of Debtor's now existing or hereafter acquired right, title and interest in and to all of Debtor's interest in any United States patents and all patent applications, registrations and recordings relating to the foregoing as may at any time be filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or in any similar office or agency of the United States, any State thereof, any political subdivision thereof or in any other country, including, without limitation, those patents, applications, registrations and recordings described in Exhibit A hereto, together with all rights and privileges arising under applicable law with respect to Debtor's use of any patents and all reissues, divisions, continuations, extensions and renewals thereof (all of the foregoing being collectively referred to herein as the "Patents"); (b) all present and future inventions and improvements described and claimed therein; (c) all income, fees, royalties and other payments at any time due or payable with respect thereto, including, without limitation, payments under all licenses at any time entered into in connection therewith; (d) the right to sue for past, present and future infringements thereof; and (e) any and all proceeds of any of the foregoing, including, without limitation, all damages and payments or claims by Debtor against third parties for past or future infringement of the Patents.

2. OBLIGATIONS SECURED

The security interest, lien and other interests granted to Secured Party for the benefit of Lenders pursuant to this Agreement shall secure the prompt performance, observance and payment in full of the Obligations, as such term is defined in the Loan Agreement (as referred to herein, the "Obligations").

3. REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS

Debtor hereby represents, warrants and covenants with and to Secured Party and Lenders the following (all of such representations, warranties and covenants being continuing so long as any of the Obligations are outstanding):

(a) Debtor shall pay and perform all of the Obligations according to their terms.

(b) As of the date hereof, to the best knowledge of Debtor, (i) all of the existing Collateral is valid and subsisting in full force and effect, (ii) Debtor owns the sole, full and clear title thereto, and (iii) Debtor has the right and power to grant the security interest granted hereunder.

(c) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Loan Agreement, Debtor shall, at Debtor's expense, perform all acts and execute all documents reasonably necessary to maintain the existence of the Collateral consisting of issued Patents as issued patents and to maintain all of the Collateral as valid and subsisting, including, without limitation, the filing of any renewal affidavits and applications. The Collateral is not subject to any liens, claims, mortgages, assignments, licenses, security interests or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever, except (i) the security interests granted hereunder and pursuant to the Loan

Agreement, (ii) the security interests permitted under the Loan Agreement and (iii) the licenses permitted under Section 3(f) below.

(d) Debtor shall not assign, sell, mortgage, lease, transfer, pledge, hypothecate, grant a security interest in or lien upon, encumber, grant an exclusive or non-exclusive license relating to the Collateral, or otherwise dispose of any of the Collateral, in each case without the prior written consent of Secured Party, except as otherwise permitted herein or in the Loan Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed a consent by Secured Party or any Lender to any such action, except as such action is expressly permitted hereunder.

(e) Debtor shall, at Debtor's expense, promptly perform all acts and execute all documents reasonably requested at any time by Secured Party or any Lender to evidence, perfect, maintain, record or enforce the security interest in of the Collateral granted hereunder or to otherwise further the provisions of this Agreement. Debtor hereby authorizes Secured Party to execute and file one or more financing statements (or similar documents) with respect to the Collateral signed only by Secured Party or any Lender or as otherwise determined by Secured Party or any Lender. Debtor further authorizes Secured Party to have this Agreement or any other similar security agreement recorded with the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks or any other appropriate federal, state or government office.

(f) As of the date hereof, Debtor does not have any material Patents registered, or subject to pending applications, in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or any similar office or agency in the United States, any State thereof, or any political subdivision thereof, other than those described in Exhibit A hereto and those that are not material to the business of Debtor and has not granted any material licenses with respect thereto other than as set forth in Exhibit B hereto.

(g) Debtor shall, concurrently with the execution and delivery of this Agreement, execute and deliver to Secured Party five (5) originals of a Special Power of Attorney in the form of Exhibit C annexed hereto for the implementation of the assignment, sale or other disposition of the Collateral pursuant to Secured Party's exercise for and on behalf of Lenders of the rights and remedies granted to Secured Party hereunder upon the occurrence and continuation of an Event of Default.

(h) Secured Party may, in its reasonable discretion, pay any amount or do any act which Debtor fails to pay or do as required hereunder or as requested by Secured Party or any Lender to preserve, defend, protect, maintain, record or enforce the Obligations, the Collateral or the security interest granted hereunder, including, but not limited to, all filing or recording fees, court costs, collection charges, attorneys' fees and legal expenses. Debtor shall be liable to Secured Party and Lenders for any such payment, which payment shall be deemed an advance by Secured Party and Lenders to Debtor, shall be payable on demand together with interest at the rate then applicable to the Obligations set forth in the Loan Agreement and shall be part of the Obligations secured hereby.

(i) If, after the date hereof, Debtor shall (i) obtain any patent, including any reissue, division, continuation, continuation-in-part, or extension of any patent, file any patent application, including any application for reissue or extension of any patent, or any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or in any similar office or agency in the United States, any State thereof or any political subdivision thereof, or (ii) become the owner of any patent used in the United States, any State thereof or any political subdivision thereof, the provisions of Section 1 hereof shall automatically apply thereto and Debtor shall provide Secured Party with written notice of any such additional Collateral in a report to be provided to Secured Party once per calendar quarter (each a "Quarterly Report") listing any such additional Collateral filed in the previous calendar quarter, with the United States Patent and Trademark office or any similar office or agency in the United States, any State thereof, or any political subdivision thereof. Upon the reasonable request of Secured Party or any Lender, Debtor shall promptly execute and deliver to Secured Party any and all agreements, instruments, documents and such other papers as may be requested by Secured Party or any Lender to evidence the security interest in such Patent in favor of Secured Party for the benefit of Lenders.

(j) Debtor has not abandoned any of the Patents and Debtor will not do any act, nor omit to do any act, whereby the Patents may become abandoned, invalidated, unenforceable, avoided or avoidable; provided, that, Debtor may abandon or do or omit to do any of the foregoing and shall notify Secured Party thereof in writing in the next Quarterly Report, with respect to any Patents that satisfy each of the following conditions: (i) any such Patent is no longer used or useful in the business of Debtor or any of its affiliates, (ii) any such Patent has not been used by Debtor or any of its affiliates for a period of six (6) months or more from the date of such written notice to Secured Party and (iii) any such Patent is not otherwise material to the business of Debtor or any of its affiliates in any respect and has little or no value. Debtor shall notify Secured Party immediately if it knows or has reason to know of any reason why any application, registration or recording with respect to the Patents may become abandoned, canceled, invalidated, avoided, or avoidable and which would materially impair the value of such Patents.

(k) Debtor shall render any reasonable assistance, as Secured Party shall reasonably determine is necessary, to Secured Party and Lenders in any proceeding before the United States Patent and Trademark Office, any federal or state court, or any similar office or agency in the United States, any State thereof, or any political subdivision thereof, to maintain such application and registration of the Patents as Debtor's exclusive property and to protect Secured Party's and Lenders' interests therein, including, without limitation, filing of renewals, affidavits of use, affidavits of incontestability and opposition, and cancellation proceedings.

(l) To the knowledge of Debtor, no material infringement or unauthorized use presently is being made of any of the Patents that would adversely affect in any material respect the fair market value of the Patents or the benefits of this Agreement granted to Secured Party, including, without limitation, the validity, priority or perfection of the security interest granted herein or the remedies of Secured Party and Lenders hereunder. There has been no judgment

holding any of the Patents invalid or unenforceable, in whole or part nor is the validity or enforceability of any of the Patents presently being questioned in any litigation or proceeding to which Debtor is a party. Debtor shall promptly notify Secured Party if Debtor (or any affiliate or subsidiary thereof) learns of any use by any person of any other process or product which infringes upon any material Patent and which would materially impaired the value of such Patent. If requested by Secured Party or any Lender at any time after the occurrence of an Event of Default, Debtor, at Debtor's expense, shall join with Secured Party and any Lender in such action as Secured Party or any Lender, in Secured Party's discretion, may deem advisable for the protection of Secured Party's and Lenders' interests in and to the Patents.

(m) Debtor assumes all responsibility and liability arising from the use of the Patents and Debtor hereby indemnifies and holds Secured Party and Lenders harmless from and against any claim, suit, loss, damage, or expense (including attorneys' fees and legal expenses) arising out of any alleged defect in any product manufactured, promoted, or sold by Debtor (or any affiliate or subsidiary thereof) in connection with any Patent or out of the manufacture, promotion, labeling, sale or advertisement of any such product by Debtor (or any affiliate or subsidiary thereof); except that Debtor shall not have any obligation under this Section 3(m) to indemnify Secured Party and Lenders with respect to a matter covered hereby resulting from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of Secured Party and Lenders as determined pursuant to a final, non-appealable order of a court of competent jurisdiction. The foregoing indemnity shall survive the payment of the Obligations, the termination of this Agreement and the termination or non-renewal of the Loan Agreement.

(n) Debtor shall promptly pay Secured Party and Lenders for any and all reasonable expenditures made by Secured Party or any Lender pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement or for the defense, protection or enforcement of the Obligations, the Collateral, or the security interests granted hereunder, including, but not limited to, all filing or recording fees, court costs, collection charges, travel expenses, and attorneys' fees and legal expenses. Such expenditures shall be payable on demand, together with interest at the rate then applicable to the Obligations set forth in the Loan Agreement and shall be part of the Obligations secured hereby.

4. EVENTS OF DEFAULT

All Obligations shall become immediately due and payable, without notice or demand, at the option of Secured Party or any Lender, upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, as such term is defined in the Loan Agreement (each an "Event of Default" hereunder).

5. RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

At any time an Event of Default exists or has occurred and is continuing, in addition to all other rights and remedies of Secured Party and any Lender, whether provided under this Agreement, the Loan Agreement, the other Financing Agreements, applicable law or otherwise, Secured Party shall have the following rights and remedies for and on behalf of Lenders which

may be exercised without notice to, or consent by, Debtor except as such notice or consent is expressly provided for hereunder:

(a) Secured Party may make use of any Patents for the sale of goods, completion of work-in-process or rendering of services or otherwise in connection with the business of Debtor or otherwise in connection with enforcing any other security interest granted to Secured Party or any Lender by Debtor or any subsidiary or affiliate of Debtor or for such other reason as Secured Party may determine. Secured Party and any Lender may require that neither Debtor nor any affiliate or subsidiary of Debtor make any use of the Patents for any purpose whatsoever.

(b) Secured Party may grant such license or licenses relating to the Collateral for such term or terms, on such conditions, and in such manner, as Secured Party shall in its discretion deem appropriate. Such license or licenses may be general, special or otherwise, and may be granted on an exclusive or non-exclusive basis throughout all or any part of the United States of America, its territories and possessions, and all foreign countries.

(c) Secured Party may assign, sell or otherwise dispose of the Collateral or any part thereof, either with or without special conditions or stipulations except that if notice to Debtor of intended disposition of Collateral is required by law, the giving of ten (10) days prior written notice to Debtor of any proposed disposition shall be deemed reasonable notice thereof and Debtor waives any other notice with respect thereto. Secured Party shall have the power to buy the Collateral or any part thereof, and Secured Party or any Lender shall also have the power to execute assurances and perform all other acts which Secured Party may, in its discretion, deem appropriate or proper to complete such assignment, sale, or disposition. In any such event, Debtor shall be liable for any deficiency.

(d) In addition to the foregoing, in order to implement the assignment, sale or other disposition of any of the Collateral pursuant to the terms hereof, Secured Party may at any time execute and deliver on behalf of Debtor, pursuant to the authority granted in the Powers of Attorney described in Section 3(g) hereof, one or more instruments of assignment of the Patents (or any application, registration, or recording relating thereto), in form suitable for filing, recording, or registration. Debtor agrees to pay Secured Party and Lenders on demand all costs incurred in any such transfer of the Collateral, including, but not limited to, any taxes, fees, and attorneys' fees and legal expenses. Debtor agrees that Secured Party and Lenders have no obligation to preserve rights to the Patents against any other parties.

(e) Secured Party may first apply the proceeds actually received from any such license, assignment, sale or other disposition of any of the Collateral to the costs and expenses thereof, including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and all legal, travel and other expenses which may be incurred by Secured Party and Lenders. Thereafter, Secured Party and Lenders may apply any remaining proceeds to such of the Obligations as Secured Party and Lenders may in their discretion determine. Debtor shall remain liable to Secured Party and Lenders for any of the Obligations remaining unpaid after the application of such proceeds, and Debtor shall pay

Secured Party and Lenders on demand any such unpaid amount, together with interest at the rate then applicable to the Obligations set forth in the Loan Agreement.

(f) Debtor shall supply to Secured Party any Lender and their respective designees, Debtor's knowledge and expertise relating to the manufacture and sale of the products and services to which the Patents relate and Debtor's customer lists and other records relating to the Patents and the distribution thereof.

(g) Nothing contained herein shall be construed as requiring Secured Party or any Lender to take any such action at any time. All of Secured Party's and Lenders' rights and remedies, whether provided under this Agreement, the other Financing Agreements, applicable law or otherwise, shall be cumulative and none is exclusive. Such rights and remedies may be enforced alternatively, successively, or concurrently.

6. JURY TRIAL WAIVER; OTHER WAIVERS
AND CONSENTS; GOVERNING LAW

(a) The validity, interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement and the other Financing Agreements and any dispute arising out of the relationship between the parties hereto, whether in contract, tort, equity or otherwise, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of New York, without regard to principles of conflicts of law or other rule of law that would result in the application of the law of any jurisdiction other than the State of New York.

(b) Debtor and Secured Party irrevocably consent and submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State of New York in New York County and the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and waive any objection based on venue or forum non conveniens with respect to any action instituted therein arising under this Agreement or any of the other Financing Agreements or in any way connected or related or incidental to the dealings of Debtor and Secured Party and Lenders in respect of this Agreement or the other Financing Agreements or the transactions related hereto or thereto, in each case whether now existing or thereafter arising, and whether in contract, tort, equity or otherwise, and agree that any dispute with respect to any such matters shall be heard only in the courts described above (except that Secured Party or any Lender shall have the right to bring any action or proceeding against Debtor or its property in the courts of any other jurisdiction which Secured Party or any Lender deems necessary or appropriate in order to realize on the Collateral or to otherwise enforce its rights against Debtor or its property).

(c) Debtor hereby waives personal service of any and all process upon it and consents that all such service of process may be made by certified mail (return receipt requested) directed to its address set forth herein and service so made shall be deemed to be completed five (5) days after the same shall have been so deposited in the U.S. mails, or, at Secured Party's or any Lender's option, by service upon Debtor in any other manner provided under the rules of any such courts. Within thirty (30) days after such service, Debtor shall appear in answer to such

process, failing which Debtor shall be deemed in default and judgment may be entered by Secured Party or any Lender against Debtor for the amount of the claim and other relief requested.

(d) DEBTOR AND SECURED PARTY EACH HEREBY WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY OF ANY CLAIM, DEMAND, ACTION OR CAUSE OF ACTION (i) ARISING UNDER THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OF THE OTHER FINANCING AGREEMENTS OR (ii) IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH OR RELATED OR INCIDENTAL TO THE DEALINGS OF DEBTOR AND SECURED PARTY AND LENDERS IN RESPECT OF THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY OF THE OTHER FINANCING AGREEMENTS OR THE TRANSACTIONS RELATED HERETO OR THERETO IN EACH CASE WHETHER NOW EXISTING OR HEREAFTER ARISING, AND WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT, EQUITY OR OTHERWISE. DEBTOR AND SECURED PARTY EACH HEREBY AGREES AND CONSENTS THAT ANY SUCH CLAIM, DEMAND, ACTION OR CAUSE OF ACTION SHALL BE DECIDED BY COURT TRIAL WITHOUT A JURY AND THAT DEBTOR OR SECURED PARTY MAY FILE AN ORIGINAL COUNTERPART OF A COPY OF THIS AGREEMENT WITH ANY COURT AS WRITTEN EVIDENCE OF THE CONSENT OF DEBTOR AND SECURED PARTY TO THE WAIVER OF THEIR RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY.

(e) Secured Party and Lenders shall not have any liability to Debtor (whether in tort, contract, equity or otherwise) for losses suffered by Debtor in connection with, arising out of, or in any way related to the transactions or relationships contemplated by this Agreement, or any act, omission or event occurring in connection herewith, unless it is determined by a final and non-appealable judgment or court order binding on Secured Party or any Lender that the losses were the result of acts or omissions constituting gross negligence or willful misconduct.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

(a) All notices, requests and demands hereunder shall be in writing and shall be given or made in accordance with Section 13.3 of the Loan Agreement.

(b) All references to the plural herein shall also mean the singular and to the singular shall also mean the plural. All references to Debtor, Secured Party and Lenders pursuant to the definitions set forth in the recitals hereto, or to any other person herein, shall include their respective successors and assigns. The words "hereof," "herein," "hereunder," "this Agreement" and words of similar import when used in this Agreement shall refer to this Agreement as a whole and not any particular provision of this Agreement and as this Agreement now exists or may hereafter be amended, modified, supplemented, extended, renewed, restated or replaced. An Event of Default shall exist or continue or be continuing until such Event of Default is waived in accordance with Section 7(e) hereof. All references to the term "Person" or "person" herein shall mean any individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation (including, without limitation, any corporation which elects subchapter S status under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended), limited liability company, limited liability partnership, business trust, unincorporated

association, joint stock company, trust, joint venture or other entity or any government or any agency or instrumentality or political subdivision thereof.

(c) This Agreement, the other Financing Agreements and any other document referred to herein or therein shall be binding upon Debtor and its successors and assigns and inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by Secured Party and Lenders and their respective successors and assigns.

(d) If any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not invalidate this Agreement as a whole, but this Agreement shall be construed as though it did not contain the particular provision held to be invalid or unenforceable and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced only to such extent as shall be permitted by applicable law.

(e) Neither this Agreement nor any provision hereof shall be amended, modified, waived or discharged orally or by course of conduct, but only by a written agreement signed by an authorized officer of Secured Party and each Lender. Secured Party and Lenders shall not, by any act, delay, omission or otherwise be deemed to have expressly or impliedly waived any of their rights, powers and/or remedies unless such waiver shall be in writing and signed by an authorized officer of Secured Party and Lenders. Any such waiver shall be enforceable only to the extent specifically set forth therein. A waiver by Secured Party or any Lender of any right, power and/or remedy on any one occasion shall not be construed as a bar to or waiver of any such right, power and/or remedy which Secured Party or any Lender would otherwise have on any future occasion, whether similar in kind or otherwise.

[REMAINDER OF THIS PAGE INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK]

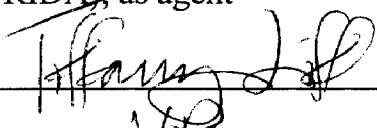
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Debtor and Secured Party have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

TASR CO., f/k/a Tate & Lyle North American Sugars, Inc.

By: 

Title: V. P.


CONGRESS FINANCIAL CORPORATION
(FLORIDA), as agent

By: 

Title: VP

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)


On this 5th day of November, 2001, before me personally came ARMANDO TABBONE
to me known, who being duly sworn, did depose and say, that he is the VP
of TASR CO., f/k/a Tate & Lyle North American Sugars, Inc., the corporation described in and
which executed the foregoing instrument; and that he signed his name thereto by order of the
Board of Directors of said corporation.


Notary Public

ELLEN M. ALLEN
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01AL5057123
Qualified in Suffolk County
Commission Expires March 18, 2002

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

On this 5th day of November, 2001, before me personally came
TIFFANY LEE, to me known, who, being duly sworn, did depose and say, that he is the
VP of CONGRESS FINANCIAL CORPORATION (FLORIDA), the corporation
described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; and that he signed his name thereto
by order of the Board of Directors of said corporation.


Notary Public

ELLEN M. ALLEN
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01AL5057123
Qualified in Suffolk County
Commission Expires March 18, 2002

EXHIBIT A
TO
PATENT SECURITY AGREEMENT
LIST OF PATENTS AND PATENT APPLICATIONS

| <u>Title</u> | <u>Patent Number</u> | <u>Grant Date</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> | <u>Expiration Date</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Method of Modifying Sweet Taste | 5045336 | 03-Sep-1991 | 14-May-1986 | 09/03/08 |
| Method of Inhibiting Sweetness | 4567053 | 28-Jan-1986 | 11-Apr-1984 | 04/11/04 |

EXHIBIT B
TO
PATENT SECURITY AGREEMENT
LICENSES

None.

EXHIBIT C
TO
PATENT AND SECURITY AGREEMENT
SPECIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that TASR CO., f/k/a Tate & Lyle North American Sugars, Inc., ("Debtor"), having an office at One Federal Street, Yonkers, New York 10702, hereby appoints and constitutes, severally, CONGRESS FINANCIAL CORPORATION (FLORIDA), as agent for the financial institutions party from time to time to the Loan Agreement (as such term is defined in the Security Agreement) as lenders (in such capacity, "Secured Party"), and each of its officers, its true and lawful attorney, with full power of substitution and with full power and authority to perform the following acts on behalf of Debtor:

1. Execution and delivery of any and all agreements, documents, instruments of assignment, or other papers which Secured Party, in its discretion, deems necessary or advisable for the purpose of assigning, selling, or otherwise disposing of all right, title, and interest of Debtor in and to any patents and all registrations, recordings, reissues, extensions, and renewals thereof, or for the purpose of recording, registering and filing of, or accomplishing any other formality with respect to the foregoing.

2. Execution and delivery of any and all documents, statements, certificates or other papers which Secured Party, in its discretion, deems necessary or advisable to further the purposes described in Subparagraph 1 hereof.

This Power of Attorney is made pursuant to a Patent Security Agreement, dated of even date herewith, between Debtor and Secured Party (the "Security Agreement") and is subject to the terms and provisions thereof. This Power of Attorney being coupled with an interest, is irrevocable until all "Obligations," as such term is defined in the Security Agreement, are paid in full and the Security Agreement is terminated in writing by Secured Party.

Dated: November __, 2001

TASR CO. f/k/a Tate & Lyle North American Sugars, Inc.

By: _____

Title: _____

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

On this ____ day of November, 2001, before me personally came _____,
to me known, who being duly sworn, did depose and say, that he is the _____
of TASR CO., f/k/a Tate & Lyle North American Sugars, Inc., the corporation described in and
which executed the foregoing instrument; and that he signed his name thereto by order of the
Board of Directors of said corporation.

Notary Public