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PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.

To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents

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1. Name of conveying party(ies):  
Michael Alexander Lienhard  
Cynthia A. Hoover

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.  
39 Old Ridgebury Road  
Danbury, CT. 06810-5113  
United States of America

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?  Yes  No

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Assignment

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved:

Miss Joann M. Jelsa  
PRAXAIR, INC.  
Law Department - MI 557  
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7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$40

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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.

Bernard Lau

Name of Person Signing

Signature

Nov 9, 01

Date

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**ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION, PRIORITY RIGHTS  
AND RIGHTS TO APPLY FOR PATENTS**

We, the undersigned, Michael Alexander Lienhard and Cynthia A. Hoover, both Chemists and Citizens of the United States of America, residing at 267 Georgia Street, Buffalo, NY 14201 and 2925 Whitehaven Road, Grand Island, NY 14072, respectively

HEREBY STATE UNDER OATH that we are the original, first and true inventors of an invention for METHODS OF SYNTHESIZING RUTHENIUM AND OSMIUM COMPOUNDS

as described and/or claimed in our application for Letters Patent in the United States of America, executed on the 16 + 22 day of Oct, 2001, (Docket No. D-20991)

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of our employment by Praxair, Inc. manufacturers, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of America, having an office at 39 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury, Connecticut 06810-5113, United States of America, and in fulfillment of our pre-existing obligation of assignment to our employer,

WE DO HEREBY ASSIGN, TRANSFER AND SELL our entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention and application unto

**PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.**

technology licensors, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of America, its successors and nominees, having an office at 39 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury, Connecticut 06810, United States of America and being a wholly owned subsidiary of the said Praxair, Inc., as the Assignee, without any restrictions, reservations or limitations, the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid application for Letters Patent and all patents which may be granted thereon, and all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues and extension thereof;

INCLUDING ALL RIGHTS in and to said invention in any country of the world, including, but not limited to, all priority rights derived from the aforesaid application for Letters Patent by virtue of the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and for any and all member countries of the aforesaid International Convention;

AND FURTHER INCLUDING THE SOLE RIGHT to file such applications under the Patent Laws of any country of the world in its name and/or ours, and the sole right to have patents granted on said applications in its name and/or ours to the full end of the term for which said patents may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this assignment not been made, and to enforce said patents with our right to sue in any court of competent jurisdiction and obtain all remedies available, including but not limited to injunctions and to recover lost profits or compensatory and enhanced damages and attorneys fee for any and all infringements thereof,

AND AUTHORIZE our attorney of record to insert below in this instrument the serial number and filing date of said application;

AND AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents on said invention resulting therefrom to said PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. as Assignee of the entire right, title and interest, and covenant that we have the full right so to do, and agree that we will communicate to said PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. or its representatives any facts known to us respecting said invention and testify in legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, continuation-in-part, extensions and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid said PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. its successors, assigns, or nominees, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries.

SIGNED AND SEALED AT CLEVELAND, OHIO this 21

day of OCTOBER, 2001.

WITNESSES:

1. Michelle Madenbach  
Michelle Madenbach

Michael Alexander Lienhard  
MICHAEL ALEXANDER LIENHARD

2. Beth A. Osborn  
Beth A. Osborn

State OHIO)

County of CUYAHOGA) ss:

This 21<sup>st</sup> day of OCTOBER, 2001, before me personally came

the above-named Michael Alexander Lienhard to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who has acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

Christine Walters  
Notary Public

(Seal)

**CHRISTINE WALTERS**  
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF OHIO  
Recorded in Cuyahoga County  
My Comm. Expires Dec. 7, 2004

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SIGNED AND SEALED AT Tonawanda, NY this 16  
day of October, 2001.

WITNESSES:

- 1. Julie A. Demmin
- 2. Ann Achanja

Cynthia A. Hoover  
CYNTHIA A. HOOVER

State New York )  
County of Erie ) ss:

This 16 day of October, 2001, before me personally came

the above-named Cynthia A. Hoover to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who has acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

(Seal)

Julie A. Demmin  
Notary Public  
JULIE A. DEMMIN  
Notary Public, State of New York  
Qualified in Erie County  
My Commission Expires 4/5/03

ACCEPTANCE

WE, the undersigned, PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. of 39 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury, Connecticut 06810, United States of America, do hereby declare that we have accepted the foregoing assignment.

Danbury, Connecticut, U.S.A. November 8, 2001

(Seal)

PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.

Margaret Hardy  
Witness:

By: Joann M. Jelsa  
Joann M. Jelsa  
Authorized Agent

Shirley Connor  
Witness:

The application identified above as Docket No. 20991 was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 27, 2001 and was given Serial Number 09/963,452.

This insertion was made by me this 8th day of November, 2001

Bernard Lau  
Attorney For Applicant  
Bernard Lau

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