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respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvements in

Catalytic gas-phase oxidation of propene to acrylic acid

for which an application for Letters Patent was executed on March 16, 2000

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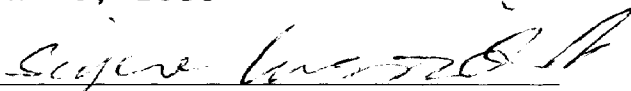
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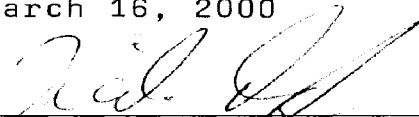
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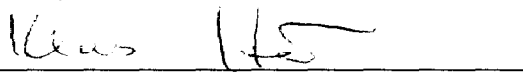
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