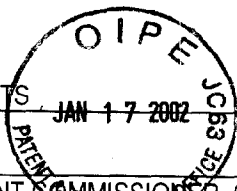


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1. NAME OF CONVEYING PARTY(IES) (ASSIGNORS(S)):

1. Degussa Aktiengesellschaft

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ADDITIONAL NAME(S) OF CONVEYING PARTY(IES) ATTACHED? YES NO

2. PARTY(IES) (ASSIGNEE(S)) RECEIVING INTEREST:

NAME: Degussa AG

ADDRESS: Bennigsenplatz 1, Düsseldorf, GERMANY

ADDITIONAL NAME(S) & ADDRESS(ES) ATTACHED? YES NO

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Notarielle Bescheinigung
gemäß § 21 Bundesnotarordnung



Aufgrund meiner heutigen Einsichtnahme in den beglaubigten Handelsregister-Auszug des Amtsgerichts Düsseldorf (HR B 39635) vom 26. Februar 2001, in den beglaubigten Handelsregister-Auszug des Amtsgerichts Frankfurt am Main (HR B 47234) vom 6. Februar 2001 sowie in den beglaubigten Handelsregister-Auszug des Amtsgerichts Traunstein (HR B 12079) vom 1. März 2001

bescheinige ich,

der unterzeichnende Notar Klaus Ludes
im Bezirk des Oberlandesgerichts zu Hamm
mit dem Amtssitz in Marl,

hiermit, dass

- die *Degussa-Hüls Aktiengesellschaft* mit dem Sitz in Frankfurt am Main und die *SKW Trostberg AG* mit dem Sitz in Trostberg als übertragende Rechtsträger aufgrund des Verschmelzungsvertrags vom 17. Oktober 2000, des Beschlusses der Hauptversammlung der Degussa AG vom 19. Oktober 2000, des Beschlusses der Hauptversammlung der Degussa-Hüls Aktiengesellschaft vom 20. Oktober 2000 und des Beschlusses der Hauptversammlung der SKW Trostberg AG vom 24. Oktober 2000 durch Übertragung des Vermögens der Degussa-Hüls Aktiengesellschaft und der SKW Trostberg AG als Ganzes auf die *Degussa AG* mit dem Sitz in Düsseldorf als übernehmender Rechtsträger verschmolzen worden sind,
- die Verschmelzung der Degussa-Hüls Aktiengesellschaft und der SKW Trostberg AG auf die Degussa AG mit Eintragung in das Handelsregister des Amtsgerichts Düsseldorf am 9. Februar 2001 wirksam geworden ist,
- die Degussa AG ihren Sitz in *Düsseldorf* (Bennigsenplatz 1, 40474 Düsseldorf) hat.

Marl 14. März 2001 / March 14, 2001

Notar / Notary public

Notarial Certificate
according to § 21 of the German National Rules
and Regulations for Notaries

According to my today's date inspection of the attested abstract from commercial register of the municipal court at Düsseldorf, Federal Republic of Germany, (No. HR B 39635) dated February 26, 2001, the attested abstract from commercial register of the municipal court at Frankfurt am Main, Federal Republic of Germany, (No. HR B 47234) dated February 6, 2001 and the attested abstract from commercial register of the municipal court at Traunstein, Federal Republic of Germany, (No. HR B 12079) dated March 1, 2001,

I, the undersigning notary public Klaus Ludes
for the district of the regional appeal court at Hamm,
Federal Republic of Germany,
with official residence at Marl, Federal Republic of
Germany,

hereby certify

that

- *Degussa-Hüls Aktiengesellschaft* with registered seat at Frankfurt am Main, Federal Republic of Germany, and *SKW Trostberg AG* with registered seat at Trostberg, Federal Republic of Germany, as transferor entities, have been merged with *Degussa AG* with registered seat at Düsseldorf, Federal Republic of Germany, as acquiring entity, on the base of the merger agreement dated October 17, 2000, Degussa AG shareholders' resolution dated October 19, 2000, Degussa-Hüls Aktiengesellschaft shareholders' resolution dated October 20, 2000 and SKW Trostberg AG shareholders' resolution dated October 24, 2000, such merger implemented by assignment of the total assets of Degussa-Hüls Aktiengesellschaft and SKW Trostberg AG,
- the merger has become effective upon its registration in the commercial register of the municipal court at Düsseldorf, Federal Republic of Germany, on *February 9, 2001*,
- the registered seat of Degussa AG has been set up at *Düsseldorf* (Bennigsenplatz 1, D-40474 Düsseldorf), Federal Republic of Germany.

