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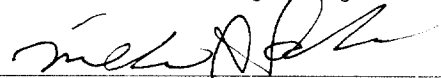
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Eric B. Stephens, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 204 Raspberry Court, Roebuck, South Carolina, 29376, in the County of Spartanburg, and State of South Carolina, have invented certain new and useful improvements in Novel Short-Chain Polymeric Yellow Cyanoester-Derivative Colorants, for which I have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on November 3, 2001; and

WHEREAS, MILLIKEN & COMPANY, a Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and located at Spartanburg, in the County of Spartanburg and State of South Carolina, is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said improvements and the said application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) to each of us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said inventors, Eric B. Stephens, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said MILLIKEN & COMPANY, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of countries foreign to the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said MILLIKEN & COMPANY, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND I HEREBY COVENANT that I have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that I have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND I HEREBY FURTHER COVENANT that I will communicate to the said Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to me respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY, WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal on February 6, 2002.

Eric B. Stephens

(L.S.)

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
) ss
COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG)

On February 6, 2002, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Eric B. Stephens, to me known and known to me to be the person of that name, who signed and sealed the foregoing instrument and he acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

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