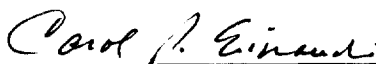


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And:

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Whereas:

HOECHST AG is the owner of U.S. Patent No. 5,776,980 (hereinafter the Patent) and
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NOW THEREFORE, be it known that, for good and valuable consideration the receipt of which
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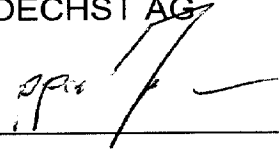
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