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For: Process for Increasing Softness of Base Webs and Products Made Therefrom

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Sir:

WHEREAS, Andrew P. Bakken, residing at 3608 North Winterset Drive, Appleton, Wisconsin 54911; Troy M. Runge, residing at 235 Bosworth Lane, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956; and Kenneth J. Zwick, residing at 730 Congress Place, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956, hereinafter collectively referred to as Assignors), have made an invention and have each either (1) previously executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America therefor or (2) are contemporaneously executing an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America for the invention with is entitled: Process for Increasing Softness of Base Webs and Products Made Therefrom

AND WHEREAS, Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware, having offices at 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956, United States of America (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and under said Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that in consideration of the payment by the Assignee to the Assignors of the sum of One U.S. Dollar (\$1.00 U.S.) and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors hereby sell, assign and transfer to the Assignees the full and exclusive right, title and interest to said invention and in and to any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries to be obtained for said invention by said application or any continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, renewal, substitute, re-examination, conversion or reissue thereof, including all extensions thereof, or any legal equivalent thereof in any foreign country for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted, including any and all convention rights.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignors have executed this document on the date indicated below:

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