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WHEREAS, I, Philippe ROUAULT, hereafter referred to as "applicant", have invented certain new and useful improvements in **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SOLVING A PROBLEM ARISING DURING A WELDING OPERATION OR THE LIKE**, for which an application for a United States patent was filed on December 10, 2001, Application No. 10/006,664, and

WHEREAS, **L'Air Liquide - Societe Anonyme A Directoire et Conseil De Surveillance Pour L'Etude et L'Exploitation Des Procedes Georges Claude**, of 75 quai d'orsay, 75321 Paris Cedex 07, France, hereinafter referred to as "assignee", is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), the receipt whereof is acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, applicant, by these presents, does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said assignee the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents which may be granted therefor in the United States, for its sole use and behoof, and for the use and behoof of its legal representatives, to the full end of the term for which said patents may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by applicant had this assignment and sale not been made.

Applicant hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said United States patents to said assignee.

Date: 14/01/02  
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Philippe ROUAULT