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Assignment of Invention

WHEREAS, WE, **Martin Theriault** of **8425 Raylin, Houston, Texas 77055** and **Philippe Blostein** of **111 Rue de la Tombe Issoire, Paris, France 75014** respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvements in: **Methods and Apparatus for Recycling Cryogenic Liquid or Gas from Test Chambers** for which an application for Letters Patent was filed on October 22, 2001, having Serial No. 10/004,597;

WHEREAS, AIR LIQUIDE AMERICA CORPORATION (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE") having a place of business at: 2700 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 1800, Houston, Texas 77056, desires to acquire from **Martin Theriault** and **Philippe Blostein**, the entire right, title and interest they have in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted thereof in the United States and its territorial possessions;

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, WE, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, all of our rights to the said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and our entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, substitutions and renewals thereof.

WE hereby authorize and request the Patent Office Officials in the United States and its territorial possessions to issue any and all of said Letters Patent, when granted, to said ASSIGNEE as the assignee of our entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the use and behalf of said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this Assignment and sale not been made.

Further, WE agree that WE will communicate to said ASSIGNEE or its representatives any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuation, substitute, renewal and reissue applications, execute all necessary assignment papers to cause any and all of said Letters Patent to be issued to said ASSIGNEE, make all rightful oaths, and, generally do everything possible to aid said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions.

The undersigned hereby grants authorized representatives of the above identified ASSIGNEE the power to insert on this assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

EXECUTED AT: Houston, USA



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