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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I/we, <u>Francis BRIAND</u>, <u>Christophe MAS</u>, <u>Georges</u>
<u>CAILLIBOTTE and Jean-Pierre EYSCHEN</u>, hereafter referred to as "applicant(s)", have invented certain new and useful improvements in <u>FULSED-ARC WELDING PROCESS AND DEVICE</u>

- (a) for which an application for a United States patent was filed on 12-21-0 Application No. 10/023,870.
- (b) for which an application for a United States patent was executed on \_\_\_\_, and

WHEREAS, L'AIR LIQUIDE - SOCIÉTÉ ANONYME A DIRECTOIRE ET CONSEIL DE SURVEILLANCE POUR L'ÉTUDE ET L'EXPLOITATION DES PROCÉDÉS GEORGES CLAUDE, whose address is 75 Quai d'Orsay, 75321 Paris Cedex 07, France and LA SOUDURE AUTOGENE FRANCAISE whose address is 75 Quai d'Orsay, 75321 Paris Cedex 07, France, hereinafter referred to as "assignee(s)", 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(s), by these presents, do(es) hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said assignee(s) 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 therefore 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(s) had this assignment and sale not been made.

Applicant(s) hereby authorize(s) and request(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said United States patents to said assignee(s).  $\bigwedge$ 

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