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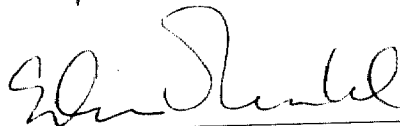
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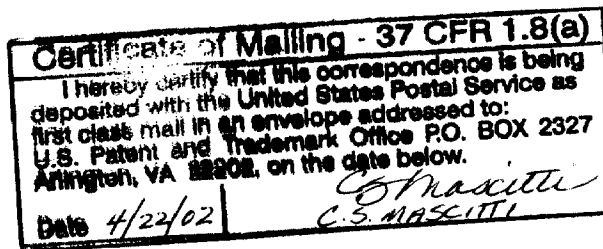
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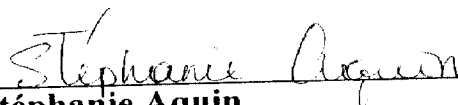
WHEREAS, I, **Stéphanie Aquin**, a Canadian citizen, residing at 2360 Nicolas-Pinel #412, Sainte-Foy, Quebec, G1V 4G6, Canada, have invented certain new and useful improvements in **METHOD FOR PRODUCING POLYHYDROXYALKANOATES IN RECOMBINANT ORGANISMS** for which I have executed an application for Letters Patent in the United States, filed as U. S. Serial No. **09/526,098** on **March 15, 2000**;

AND WHEREAS, **Université Laval**, with its principal place of business at Quebec, Quebec G1K 7P4, Canada, desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, including salary or payment for the making of inventions, or employee benefits, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said inventors, do hereby acknowledge that we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said **Université Laval**, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said **Université Laval**, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said **Université Laval**, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said improvements and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said **Université Laval**, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 2 day of November, 2000.


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