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09/076,442

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I,

Lester D. Michels residing at 9149 Fox Run Circle
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for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and adequacy of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby sell and assign to **Novartis Nutrition AG**, a company organized under the laws of the Swiss Confederation, having a place of business at Monbijoustrasse 118, Berne, Switzerland 3001, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, all my right, title and interest, which includes the right to and full benefit of such priorities as may now or hereafter be granted to me by local laws or by treaty, including any international convention for the protection of industrial property, in and for the United States and its territories and possessions in and to the invention entitled:


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invented by me and described in the application for United States Letters Patent

Application No. 09/076,442, filed May 12, 1998,

including (1) said application for United States Letters Patent and all continuations and divisions thereof (including further continuations and divisions such as, but not limited to, continuations of continuations and divisions of continuations), (2) all United States Letters Patent which may be issued and/or granted on all such applications, (3) all applications for reissues and extensions of and reexamination certificates for all such United States Letters Patent and (4) all reissues and extensions and reexamination certificates issued for all such United States Letters Patent, the said interest being the entire ownership of said invention and all of said applications, United States Letters Patent (including reissue Letters Patent), extensions and reexamination certificates to be held and enjoyed by the said Novartis Nutrition AG and its successors and assigns to the full end of the terms to which said United States Letters Patent (including reissue Letters Patent), extensions and reexamination certificates may be granted and/or issued, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me if this sale, assignment and transfer had not been made;

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Lester D. Michels