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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, we, GUNTHER H. DIECKMANN, residing in the City of Walnut Creek, County of Contra Costa, State of California; JAMES D. KRAMER, residing in the City of Richmond, County of Contra Costa, State of California; and RICHARD E. CHERPECK, residing in the City of Cotati, County of Sonoma, State of California have invented new and useful improvements in a METHOD FOR CONTROLLING DEPOSITS IN THE FUEL REFORMER OF A FUEL CELL SYSTEM, set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States,

- having an oath or declaration executed on even date herewith;
- bearing Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ and filed on \_\_\_\_\_, 2002; and

WHEREAS, CHEVRON U.S.A. INC., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and having a regular and established place of business at San Ramon, State of California, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in and to the Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefor:

NOW, THEREFORE, for a valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said GUNTHER H. DIECKMANN, do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said CHEVRON U.S.A. INC., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in and to all Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefor, not only for, to and in the United States of America, but for, to and in all other countries; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner for Patents to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment.

SIGNED my hand at Richmond, California, this 17 day of May, 2002.

  
GUNTHER H. DIECKMANN

**STATEMENT BY WITNESS**

I, Diana K. Ponce, whose full post office address is 100 Chevron Way, Richmond, California 94802, was personally present and did see GUNTHER H. DIECKMANN who is known to me execute the above assignment on May 17, 2002.

  
Signature of Witness

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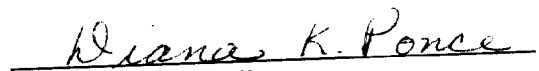
NOW, THEREFORE, for a valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said JAMES D. KRAMER, do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said CHEVRON U.S.A. INC., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in and to all Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefor, not only for, to and in the United States of America, but for, to and in all other countries; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner for Patents to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment.

SIGNED my hand at Richmond, California, this 17 day of May, 2002.

  
JAMES D. KRAMER

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NOW, THEREFORE, for a valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said RICHARD E. CHERPECK, do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said CHEVRON U.S.A. INC., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and in and to all Letters Patent to be granted and issued therefor, not only for, to and in the United States of America, but for, to and in all other countries; and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner for Patents to issue said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment.

SIGNED my hand at Richmond, California, this 21 day of May, 2002.

  
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 RICHARD E. CHERPECK

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