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WHEREAS, Horizon Vessels, Inc., a Delaware corporation, herein referred to as "Assignee" having a post office address at 2500 City West Boulevard, Suite 2200, Houston, Texas 77042 is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in the same;

Now, therefore, for good and valuable consideration the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Applicant does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the Assignee the full and exclusive right to the said application and invention and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents which may be granted therefor, the Applicant hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue United States patents based upon the application to the Assignee, the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the same, for its sole use and benefit; and for the use and benefit 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 the Applicant had\*this assignment and sale not been made.

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