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WHEREAS, we, Robert T. Lartey and TheCan Caesar

residing at 2338 3rd Street, NW, Sidney, Montana, 59270 and Rural Road 2, P.O. Box 2332,  
Sidney, Montana 59270; respectively

having invented an improvement in Degradation of Cercosporin by Laccase

for which we have made application for Letters Patent of the United States, identified as Department of Agriculture Case No. **0137.02**; and Serial No. **10/205,871** filed on **July 26, 2002**;

WHEREAS, the WORLDWIDE patent rights in our share of said invention are assignable to the United States by virtue of our having made the invention while in the employ of the United States Department of Agriculture under applicable law and regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture which render the patent rights so assignable; and

WHEREAS, the United States, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture, is desirous of acquiring an assignment of said patent rights;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of these premises, we hereby assign said WORLDWIDE patent rights to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Robert T. Lartey  
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