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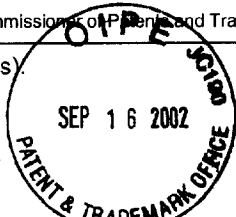
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We authorize Westvaco Packaging Group, Inc. to make application for such protection in its own name and maintain such protection in any and all countries foreign to the United States, and to invoke and claim for any application for patent or other form of protection for said inventions, without further authorization from us, any and all benefits, including the right of priority provided by any and all treaties, conventions, or agreements.

We hereby consent that a copy of this assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any document which may be required in any country in proof of the right of Westvaco Packaging Group, Inc. to apply for patent or other form of protection for said inventions and to claim the aforesaid benefit of the right of priority.

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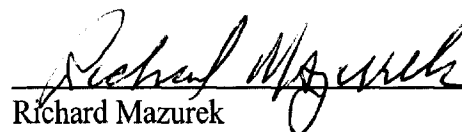
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John A. Gelardi

Date:

7/19/02



Richard Mazurek

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