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WHEREAS, I (We),

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as assignor(s), have invented certain improvements in
PROCEDURE FOR OXYDATION OF A THIOETHER GROUP TO A SULFOXYDE GROUP
for which
an application for United States Letters Patent has been executed by me (us) of even date
herewith; and

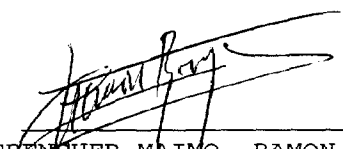
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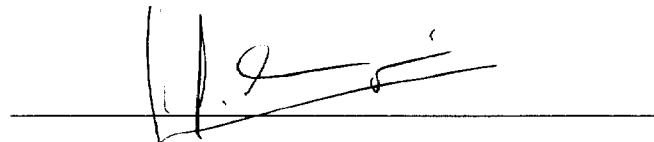
as assignee, is desirous of acquiring all right, title and interest in and to said invention
and any Patent that may be granted therefor.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and
valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I (We), as assignor(s),
hereby sell, assign and set over to said assignee the entire right, title and interest for
the United States and all other countries in and to said invention and the aforesaid
application for Patent, all original, divisional, continuation, substitute or reissue
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countries, including all rights of priority from the filing of said application, and all
rights for past infringement, and the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is hereby
authorized and requested to issue all patents on said inventions or resulting therefrom to
said assignee herein, as assignee of the entire interest therein; and the undersigned for
myself (ourselves) and my (our) legal representatives, heirs and assigns do hereby agree and
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everything necessary to assist assignee, its successors, assigns and nominees to obtain
patent protection for said invention in the United States and all other countries, the
expenses incident to said applications to be borne and paid by said assignee.

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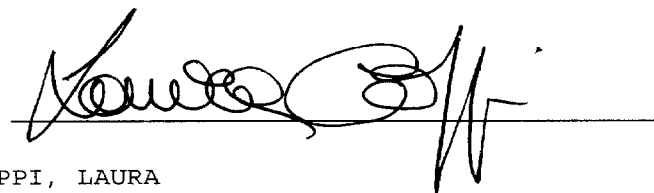

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