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Additional names of conveying parties attached? Yes No

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**ASSIGNMENT - PATENT APPLICATION
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

Whereas, by virtue of an Assignment recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 30, 1992, under Reel 6343, Frame 710,

SHIN-ETSU CHEMICAL CO., LTD.

of 6-1, Ohtemachi 2-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan (hereinafter Assignor)

is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to

U. S. Patent No. 5,416,208 granted May 16, 1995

Entitled: MODIFIED XANTHAN GUM AND METHOD FOR MODIFYING XANTHAN GUM

Whereas, SHIN-ETSU BIO, INC.,

a corporation of the State of Delaware, having a principal place of business

at 6650 Lusk Blvd. San Diego, CA 92121, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein and

to the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor:

Now Therefore, be it known by all whom it may concern, that in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor has assigned, sold and set over and by these presents does assign, sell and set over unto the said Assignee, an undivided one half interest in and to the said invention, as fully set forth and described in the specification, and any patent issuing thereon, said undivided one half interest to be held and enjoyed by the said Assignee to the end of the term for which said Letters Patent is granted, as fully and entirely as the Assignor would have held and enjoyed said rights had this assignment and sale not been made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned Assignor has hereunto set his hand this 28th day of July, 1995.

Witness:

Sadao Yamagishi

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SHIN-ETSU CHEMICAL CO., LTD.

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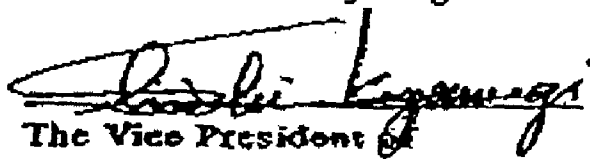
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I hereby declare that the general manager of Patent Department of Shin-Etsu Chemical Co. Ltd is authorized to execute all papers and documents with respect to any intellectual property rights in Japan and all foreign countries.

Shunichi Koyanagi

Date: September
27, 1994


The Vice President of
Shin-Etsu Chemical Co. Ltd.

Witness Yoshiaki Tsubomura Date Sep. 27, 1994

Witness Akira Matsuda Date Sept. 27, 1994