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A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, We, RANDY D. PETREA, BRUCE H. SUDDETH, SHIRLEY A. WHITESIDE, CHRISTOPHER BYRD, citizens of United States of America, residing respectively at 368 LaBahr Court, Boiling Springs, SC 29316, County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina; 190 Myrphy Road, Lyman, SC 29365, County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina; 330 Clement Road, Chesnee, SC 29323, County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina; and 341 Wilkshire Loop, Moore, SC 29369, County of 5372Spartanburg, State of South Carolina, have invented certain new and useful improvements in **METHOD OF TREATING SANDY SOILS TO REDUCE WATER REPELLENCY THEREIN** for which we executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on **December 6, 2001** as Application Serial Number **10/008,970**; and

WHEREAS, MILLIKEN & COMPANY, a Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and located at Spartanburg, in the County of Spartanburg and State of South Carolina, is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said improvements and the said application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) to each of us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said **RANDY D. PETREA, BRUCE H. SUDDETH, SHIRLEY A. WHITESIDE, CHRISTOPHER BYRD** have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said **MILLIKEN & COMPANY**, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of countries foreign to the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issued all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said **MILLIKEN & COMPANY**, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant that we will communicate to the said Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said Corporation, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY, WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and seals on October 24, 2002.

Randy D. Petrea (L.S.)
Randy D. Petrea

Bruce H. Suddeth (L.S.)
Bruce H. Suddeth

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
) ss
COUNTY OF SPARTANBURG)

On October 24, 2002, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared **RANDY D. PETREA, BRUCE H. SUDDETH, SHIRLEY A. WHITESIDE, CHRISTOPHER BYRD**, severally to me known and known to me to be the several persons described in and who severally signed and sealed the foregoing instrument and severally acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed.

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Henry A. Lawton
Notary Public

My Commission Expires February 6, 2012