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1. Name of conveying party(ies):
Hugh Chester Gardner; Thomas Lee Baker;
Stephen G. Ceisel; Richard C. Moon;
Thomas L. Oakley; Mark B. Williams
Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?
 yes no

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2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):
BP Corporation North America Inc.
200 East Randolph Drive, MC 2207A
Chicago, IL 60601

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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:
BP America Inc.
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200 East Randolph Drive, MC 2207A
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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1
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To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.
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Assignment To

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Chicago, Illinois, United States of America

Whereas we,

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Attorney Docket 37,260

and described in an application for patent in the United States of America identified above and executed by us, respectively; and

Whereas, **BP Corporation North America Inc.**, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Indiana, U.S.A., and having a principal office and place of business at Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., desires to record a specific assignment to the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified invention or inventions, and in and to any Letters Patent therefor in the United States of America and countries foreign thereto;

Now therefore, in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration by each of us received, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we jointly and severally have sold and assigned, and hereby do sell and assign, to **BP Corporation North America Inc.**, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest (a) in the above-identified invention or inventions and all improvements and modifications thereof, (b) in the above-identified application, all provisional and non-provisional applications for patent upon which the above-identified application claims benefit, and all other applications for patent of the United States of America and countries foreign thereto for the above-identified invention or inventions and all improvements and modifications thereof, (c) in all Letters Patent which may issue from said applications in the United States of America and countries foreign thereto, and (d) in all divisions, reissues, continuations, conversions, and extensions of said applications and Letters Patent; and covenant we have the full right so to do; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all United States Letters Patent on the invention or inventions included herein to **BP Corporation North America Inc.** as assignee of the entire interest.

We further agree that we shall communicate to **BP Corporation North America Inc.**, its successors and assigns, or their representatives or agents all facts and information known or available to us relating to said invention or inventions, improvements and modifications including evidence for interference, reexamination, reissue, opposition, revocation, conversion, extension, or infringement purposes or other legal, judicial or administrative proceedings, whenever requested; testify in person or by affidavit as required by **BP Corporation North America Inc.**, its successors and assigns, in any such proceeding in the United States of America or a country foreign thereto; execute and deliver, on request, all lawful papers including, but not limited to, original, provisional, non-provisional, divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, and reissue applications, renewals, assignments, powers of attorney, oaths, affidavits, declarations, and depositions; and provide all reasonable assistance to **BP Corporation North America Inc.**, its successors and assigns, in obtaining and enforcing proper protection for said invention or inventions, improvements and modifications under the intellectual property laws of the United States of America and countries foreign thereto.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, respectively, on the dates set after our respective signatures.

<u>Hugh Chester Gardner</u>	(L.S.),	<u>23 July</u>	, 20 <u>01</u>
<u>Thomas H. Baker</u>	(L.S.),	<u>24 July</u>	, 20 <u>01</u>
_____	(L.S.),	_____	, 20 ____
_____	(L.S.),	_____	, 20 ____
<u>Thomas Z. Kelly</u>	(L.S.),	<u>20 July</u>	, 20 <u>01</u>
_____	(L.S.),	_____	, 20 ____

State of Georgia)
County of Cobb)SS

Before me this 23 day of July, 2001, personally appeared each person listed below:

Hugh Chester Gardner

each of whom is known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and each of whom acknowledged such instrument was signed, sealed and delivered as that person's free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes set forth therein.

Beverly C. Myers
Notary Public

Seal

BEVERLY C. MYERS
Notary Public, Cobb County, Georgia.
My Commission Expires January 1, 2002

State of Georgia)
County of Cobb)SS

Before me this 24 day of July, 2001, personally appeared each person listed below:

Thomas Lee Baker

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Before me this 20 day of July, 2001, personally appeared each person listed below:

Thomas L. Oakley

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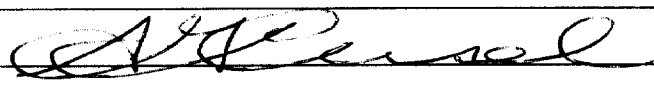
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 _____, (L.S.), July 18, 20 01
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State of _____)
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State of Georgia)
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Before me this 18 day of 7, 2001 personally appeared each person listed below:

STEPHEN G. CETSSEL 

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Notary Public

SUSAN E. BELL

Notary Public, Cobb County, Georgia
My Commission Expires April 19, 2004

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State of _____)
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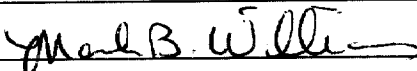
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State of Georgia)
County of Murphy)SS

Before me this 26 day of 07, 2001 personally appeared each person listed below:

[Handwritten Signature]

each of whom is known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and each of whom acknowledged such instrument was signed, sealed and delivered as that person's free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes set forth therein.

[Handwritten Signature: Deborah Queen]
Notary Public

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County of _____)SS

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Notary Public

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State of Georgia)
County of Murray)SS

Before me this 21 day of 07, 2001 personally appeared each person listed below:

M. B. Williams

each of whom is known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and each of whom acknowledged such instrument was signed, sealed and delivered as that person's free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes set forth therein.

Deborah Queen
Notary Public

Seal

Notary Public, Murray County, Georgia
My Commission Expires April 1, 2004