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## 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Name: PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.

Internal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: 39 Old Ridgebury Road

City: Danbury State: CT Zip: 06810

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Serial No. 10/303,030  
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Street Address: 39 Old Ridgebury Road

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved: ☒ 1

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# ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION, PRIORITY RIGHTS AND RIGHTS TO APPLY FOR PATENTS

We, the undersigned, Kirk Fredrick Larson and Brian Kenneth Bodkin, Engineers and  
Citizens of the United States of America, residing at 4 Mallard Court, Amherst, New York 14228  
and 90 Joanie Lane, Amherst, New York 14228,

HEREBY STATE UNDER OATH that we are the original, first and true inventors of an invention  
 for BOLTED COLLECTOR FOR VAPOR LIQUID CONTACTING VESSEL  
 as described and/or claimed in our application for Letters Patent in the United States of America,  
 executed on the 18 day of Nov, 2002, (Docket No. D-21259).

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of our employment by Praxair, Inc. manufacturers, a  
 corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of America,  
 having an office at 39 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury, Connecticut 06810-5113, United States of  
 America, and in fulfillment of our pre-existing obligation of assignment to our employer,

WE DO HEREBY ASSIGN, TRANSFER AND SELL our entire right, title, and interest in and to said  
 invention and application unto

## PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.

technology licensors, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware,  
 United States of America, its successors and nominees, having an office at 39 Old Ridgebury Road,  
 Danbury, Connecticut 06810, United States of America and being a wholly owned subsidiary of the said  
 Praxair, Inc., as the Assignee, without any restrictions, reservations or limitations, the entire right, title  
 and interest in and to the aforesaid application for Letters Patent and all patents which may be granted  
 thereon, and all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues and extension thereof;

INCLUDING ALL RIGHTS in and to said invention in any country of the world, including, but  
 not limited to, all priority rights derived from the aforesaid application for Letters Patent by virtue of the  
 International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and for any and all member countries  
 of the aforesaid International Convention;

AND FURTHER INCLUDING THE SOLE RIGHT to file such applications under the Patent Laws of  
 any country of the world in its name and/or ours, and the sole right to have patents granted on said  
 applications in its name and/or ours to the full end of the term for which said patents may be granted as  
 fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this assignment not been made, and to  
 enforce said patents with our right to sue in any court of competent jurisdiction and obtain all remedies  
 available, including but not limited to injunctions and to recover lost profits or compensatory and  
 enhanced damages and attorneys fee for any and all infringements thereof,

AND AUTHORIZE our attorney of record to insert below in this instrument the serial number and filing  
 date of said application;

AND AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all patents on said invention resulting therefrom to said PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. as Assignee of the entire right, title and interest, and covenant that we have the full right so to do, and agree that we will communicate to said PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. or its representatives any facts known to us respecting said invention and testify in legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, continuation-in-part, extensions and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid said PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. its successors, assigns, or nominees, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries.

SIGNED AND SEALED AT Tonawanda, NY this 18  
day of Nov, 2002.

WITNESSES:

1. Julie A. Demmin

2. M. Mustafiz Ahmed

Kirk Fredrick Larson  
KIRK FREDRICK LARSON

State New York )  
County of Erie ) ss:

This 18 day of Nov, 2002, before me personally came

the above-named Kirk Fredrick Larson

to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who has acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

(Seal)

Julie A. Demmin  
Notary Public  
JULIE A. DEMMIN  
Notary Public, State of New York  
Qualified in Erie County  
My Commission Expires 4/5/03

SIGNED AND SEALED AT Tarrytown NY this 18  
day of Nov., 2002.

WITNESSES:

1. Julie A. Demmin

2. M. Mushtaq Ahmed

Brian Kenneth Bodkin  
BRIAN KENNETH BODKIN

State of New York )  
County of Erie ) ss:

This 18 day of Nov., 2002, before me personally came the  
above-named Brian Kenneth Bodkin  
to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who has  
acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set  
forth.

(Seal)

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Notary Public, State of New York  
Qualified in Erie County  
My Commission Expires 4/5/03

SIGNED AND SEALED AT \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2002.

WITNESSES:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

ACCEPTANCE

WE, the undersigned, PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. of 39 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury, Connecticut 06810, United States of America, do hereby declare that we have accepted the foregoing assignment.

Danbury, Connecticut, U.S.A. January 20, ~~2002~~ 2003

(Seal)

PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.

Christina M. Manno  
Witness:

By: Joann M. Jelsa  
Joann M. Jelsa  
Transfer Agent

Christina L. Carretta  
Witness:

The application identified above as Docket No. D-21259 was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 25, 2002 and was given Serial Number 10/303,030.

This insertion was made by me this 20th day of January, ~~2002~~ 2003

Stanley Ktorides  
Attorney For Applicants  
Stanley Ktorides  
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