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Assignment

WHEREAS,

Harold B. Skeels of Kingwood, Texas, U.S.A.,

hereafter referred to as the "Assignor(s)", has invented a certain new and useful Invention entitled:

DOWNHOLE SAFETY VALVE FOR CENTRAL CIRCULATION COMPLETION SYSTEM

for which an Application for a United States Patent was executed on _____, (and filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on _____ under U.S. Patent Application Serial No. _____),

for which an Application for a United States Patent was filed on 11/21/2002 under U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/301,381,

for which an International Application designating the United States was filed on _____ under International Patent Application Number _____; and

WHEREAS, FMC Technologies, Inc., a Delaware corporation having its principal place of business at 200 E. Randolph Drive, Chicago, Illinois (hereinafter "FMC"), is desirous of acquiring the Assignors' entire right, title, and interest in and to said Invention, and in and to said Application for U.S. Patent, inclusive of any and all priority rights derived therefrom, and in and to all Letters Patent, both U.S. and foreign, which may be granted for said Invention;

NOW, THEREFORE, for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Assignors do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over unto FMC, its successors and assigns, Assignors' entire right, title, and interest in and to said Invention, and in and to said Application for U.S. Patent, inclusive of any and all priority rights derived therefrom, and in and to all Letters Patent and any reissues or extensions thereof which may be granted upon said Application or upon any substitutes, divisions, or continuations of said Application, and in and to all Letters Patent and the like which may be granted upon any application filed in a foreign country which is based upon or claims priority from said Application or upon any substitutes, divisions, or continuations of said Application, and in and to all Letters Patent or the like, both U.S. and foreign, which may be granted for said Invention, the same to be held and enjoyed by FMC for its own use and behoof, and for the use and behoof of its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the Assignors had this assignment and sale not been made;

AND, the Assignors hereby agree to execute, upon request, any and all further papers which may be necessary or desirable to enable FMC, its successors and assigns, to file and prosecute said Application and any substitutes, divisions, or continuations thereof, to file and prosecute any reissues and extensions of the Letters Patent granted upon said Application or upon any substitutes, divisions, or continuations thereof, and to file and prosecute any and all foreign applications for Letters Patent or the like which are based upon or claim priority from said Application or any substitutes, divisions, or continuations thereof; and the Assignors further agree to execute any and all further papers which may be necessary or desirable to vest or perfect the title of FMC, its successors and assigns, in and to said Invention, said Application, and any and all of the applications and Letters Patent, both U.S. and foreign, set forth above;

AND, the Assignors hereby authorize FMC to fill in the filing dates, the U.S. Patent Application Serial Number and the International Patent Application Number, when they become known, in the blank spaces provided above;

AND, the Assignors hereby authorize and request the COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS to issue each and every Letters Patent to be granted upon the aforesaid Application for U.S. Patent, and upon any and all substitutes, divisions, and continuations of said Application, and each and every reissue and extension of said Letters Patent, to

FMC, its successors and assigns, as the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest therein, in accordance with this Assignment.

WITNESS my hand at HOUSTON, Texas this 23rd day of JANUARY, 2003.

Harold B. Skeels
Harold B. Skeels

County of HARRIS)
State of TEXAS) s.s.

On this 23rd day of JANUARY, 2003, before me personally appeared Harold B. Skeels, to me known to be the persons whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

Irene J. Casas
Notary Public in and for said County and State

