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ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION
AND OF LETTERS PATENT


Whereas, we, the (“**Inventors**”), **X.D. Hu**, whose post office address is 7201 Wood Briar Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40241, US; **Robert J. O’Brien**, whose post office address is 218 Charlestown Court, Louisville, Kentucky 40243, US; **Richard Tuell**, whose post office address is 7450 Depauw Church Road S.E., Elizabeth, Indiana, 47117, US; **Esterino Conca**, whose post office address is Via Monte Grappa, 8, 28100 Novara, (NOVARA), Italy; **Carlo Rubini**, whose post office address is Via de Cristoferis, 21, 22020 San Fermo della Battaglia (COMO), Italy; and **Guido Petrini**, whose post office address is Via C. Battisti, 39/A, 28066 Galliate (NOVARA), Italy, have invented certain improvements in a **FISCHER-TROPSCH CATALYST PREPARED WITH A HIGH PURITY IRON PRECURSOR**, the (“**Invention**”), and have executed a for United States Letters Patent of the same title filed herewith the (“**Application**”), which claims priority to a PCT International Application No. PCT/US02 filed on 5/15/02 ; and
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Whereas, the (“**Assignee**”), **Sud-Chemie Inc.**, of Louisville, Kentucky, a Delaware Corporation whose post office address is 1600 W. Hill Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40210 (including its successors and assigns), desires to acquire our entire right, title and interest in said **Application** and **Invention**, and any United States and foreign patents to be obtained therefor;

Now therefore, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we hereby sell, assign and transfer unto said **Assignee**, the entire right, title and interest in said **Application** and the **Invention** disclosed therein for the United States of America

and all countries foreign thereto, including rights of priority under the International Convention of Paris (1883) as amended and the entire right, title, and interest in and to any and all patent applications, patents, continuations, continuations-in-part, divisionals, and reissues based thereon which may be filed or granted therefor in the United States or any foreign country. We also agree that **Assignee**, may apply for foreign Letters Patent on the **Invention**, and we agree to cooperate with **Assignee**, and to execute without additional consideration any additional documents as deemed necessary by **Assignee**, to apply for or maintain patents or other legal protection for the **Invention** in any country of the world.

We hereby authorize and request the U.S. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent granted upon the invention set forth in this **Application** to said **Assignee**.



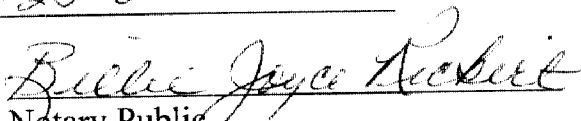
 X.D. Hu

Executed this 2 day of August, 2002 at Louisville, Kentucky.

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Before me personally appeared X.D. Hu, and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this 2nd day of August, 2002.

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Robert J. O'Brien

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