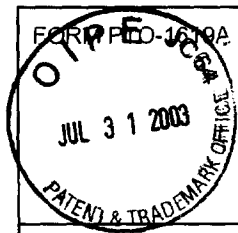


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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, WILLIAM H. EBY, a citizen of the United States, residing at 4763 Panorama Drive, Panora, Iowa 50216 and WILLIAM K. RHODES, a citizen of the United States, residing at 200 Bennett's Outlet Lane, Queenstown, Maryland 21658, are the inventors of an invention in SOYBEAN CULTIVAR 941106224 which was filed with the US Patent Office on April 14, 2003 having Serial NO. 10/414,276; and

WHEREAS, STINE SEED FARM, INC., incorporated in the state of Iowa, with a place of business at 2225 Laredo Trail, Adel, Iowa 50003 and MONSANTO TECHNOLOGY LLC, a Delaware limited liability company with a place of business at 800 North Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, Missouri 63167, have entered into an Agreement dated December 8, 1997, wherein both companies are hereby assigned a joint and undivided interest in the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application;

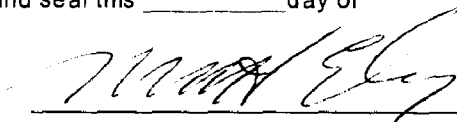
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said WILLIAM H. EBY and WILLIAM K. RHODES have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said STINE SEED FARM, INC. and MONSANTO TECHNOLOGY LLC, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention, 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 invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof and all rights of priority in any such country or countries based upon the filing of the said application for Letters Patent of the United States which are created by any law, treaty or international convention; and I 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 issue all Letters Patent for said invention to the said STINE SEED FARM, INC. and MONSANTO TECHNOLOGY LLC, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

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

AND I HEREBY further covenant and agree that I will communicate to said STINE SEED FARM, INC. and MONSANTO TECHNOLOGY LLC, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to me respecting said invention, 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 STINE SEED FARM, INC. and MONSANTO TECHNOLOGY LLC, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said invention in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this _____ day of

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WILLIAM H. EBY

7-22, 2003


WILLIAM K. RHODES