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Michelle C. Replogle, Reg. 54,394 [Signature] May 6, 2004
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**ASSIGNMENT**

In consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) or equivalent and other good and valuable consideration paid to each of the undersigned: Robert L. Horton, John W. Powell, William E. Foxenberg, and David Kippie the undersigned hereby sell(s) and assign(s) to M I LLC (the "Assignee"), a corporation of Delaware, having a place of business at 5950 North Course Drive, Houston, TX 77072, his/her entire right, title and interest

check applicable box(es) : for the United States of America (as defined in 35 U.S.C. § 100),  
: and throughout the world,

in the invention(s) known as Remediation Treatment of Sustained Casing Pressure (SCP) In Wells with Top Down Surface Injection of Fluids and Additives for which application(s) for Letters Patent in the United States of America has (have) been executed by the undersigned on even date (also known as United States Patent Application No. 10/605,188 filed 12 September 2003), in any and all applications thereon, in any and all Letters Patent(s) therefor, and in any and all reissues, extensions, renewals, reexaminations of such applications or Letters Patent(s) and divisional and continuation applications thereof, to the full end of the term or terms for which such Letters Patent(s) issue, including all claims, if any, that may have arisen for infringement prior to the date of this assignment, such entire right, title and interest to be held and enjoyed by the above-named Assignee to the same extent as they would have been held and enjoyed by the undersigned had this assignment and sale not been made.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with the application(s) and any continuing (continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part), reissue, reexamination or corresponding application(s) thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference that may be declared concerning the application(s) or any continuing (continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part), reissue or reexamination application thereof and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference.

The undersigned hereby authorizes and requests the government authority to issue any and all Letters Patent granted on such inventions to the Assignee.

The undersigned hereby warrants and represents that the undersigned has full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that the undersigned has not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict therewith.

The undersigned hereby expressly intends this agreement to be binding on the heirs, assigns, representatives and successors of the undersigned and extend to the successors, assigns and nominees of the Assignee.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, executed by the undersigned on the date(s) opposite their name(s).

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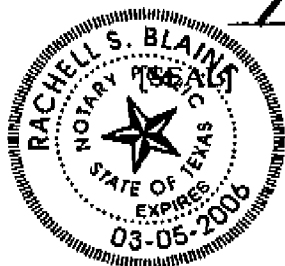
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Printed Name: Robert L. Horton

COUNTY OF Harris )  
STATE OF Texas ) ss.

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 5 day of February, 2004, personally appeared Robert L. Horton, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Rachell S. Blains

Notary or Consular Officer



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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name: John W. Powell

COUNTY OF Harris )  
STATE OF Texas ) ss.

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, personally appeared John W. Powell, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

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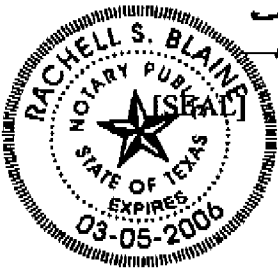
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Signature: *William E. Foxenberg* \*\*\*\*\* Date: Feb. 5, 2003  
 Printed Name: William E. Foxenberg  
 COUNTY OF Harris )  
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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 5 day of February, 2004, personally appeared William E. Foxenberg, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

*Rachell D. Blain*  
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 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Printed Name: David Kippie  
 COUNTY OF Harris )  
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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2004, personally appeared David Kippie, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name: William E. Foxenberg

COUNTY OF Harris )  
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Signature: *David Kippie* \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\*\*\* Date: 2/17/04  
Printed Name: David Kippie

COUNTY OF Harris )  
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STATE OF Texas )

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