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## A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, I, DIRK HEILENKÖTTER, a citizen of Germany, whose post office address is Auf dem Sande 4, DE-38524 Dannenbüttel, Germany, have made an invention for which I am about to make application for Letters Patent of the United States entitled "PROCESS FOR DETERMINING THE CURRENT STATE OF A LUBRICANT"; and

WHEREAS, VOLKSWAGEN AG, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Germany and having an office for the transaction of business at D-38436 Wolfsburg, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and any improvements thereon, and in and to the said application for Letters Patent therefor, and any Letters Patent which may be obtained therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that I, the said DIRK HEILENKÖTTER, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), lawful money of the United States, to me in hand paid by said VOLKSWAGEN AG, and other valuable considerations unto me moving from said VOLKSWAGEN AG, at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said VOLKSWAGEN AG, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention as set forth and described in the specification forming a part of the application for Letters Patent of the United States for "PROCESS FOR DETERMINING THE CURRENT STATE OF A LUBRICANT", executed concurrently herewith, and any and all improvements thereon, and in and to said application and any division, continuation or continuation-in-part thereof, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued on any of said applications, and any reissues thereof, and in and to any and all applications for Letters Patent filed in foreign countries for said invention or improvements, including all priority rights under the Paris Convention, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted in foreign countries therefor, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAME to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all said Letters Patent may be granted;

AND I, the said DIRK HEILENKÖTTER, do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the said Letters Patent of the United States to said VOLKSWAGEN AG, as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and benefit of said VOLKSWAGEN AG, its successors and assigns;

AND I, the said DIRK HEILENKÖTTER, for the considerations aforesaid, do hereby covenant and agree to and with said VOLKSWAGEN AG, its successors and assigns, that I have the full power to make this assignment, and that the rights assigned are not encumbered by any grant, license or right heretofore given, and that I, my executors or administrators, shall and will do all lawful acts and things and make, execute and deliver without further compensation, any and all other instruments in

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Subscribed and executed at Wolfsburg  
(Place)

on 25.04.2001  
(Date)

+ Dirk Heilenkötter  
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