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- 1. J. Wayne Halfacre
- 2. John S. Gruver
- 3. Christian Randhahn
- 4. Charles A. Curtiss
- 5. Stuart Leslie
- 6. Christopher J. Matice
- 7. Stephen P. DeHoff

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Name: Nestle Waters North America, Inc.

Internal Address: _____

Street Address: 777 West Putnam Avenue

City: Greenwich State: CT ZIP: 06830

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No

3. Nature of conveyance:

- Assignment Merger
- Security Agreement Change of Name
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Execution Date(s): 1,2,3: September 10, 2003
4,5: October 16, 2003
6,7: October 21, 2003

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

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A. Patent Application No.(s) 29192434

B. Patent No.(s)

Additional numbers attached? Yes No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: Fish & Neave

Internal Address: Jeffrey C. Aldridge

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Jeffrey C. Aldridge
Name of Person Signing

Signature

October 24, 2003
Date

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A S S I G N M E N T

Whereas we, J. Wayne Halfacre, John S. Gruver, Christian Randhahn, Charles A. Curtiss, Stuart Leslie, Christopher J. Matice and Stephen P. DeHoff, residing, respectively, at 308 Route 39, New Fairfield, Connecticut 06812; 53 Marvin Ridge Road, New Canaan, Connecticut 06840; 37 Milwaukee Avenue, Bethel, Connecticut 06801; 24 Raymond Terrace, Norwalk, Connecticut 06855; 8 Mayhew Avenue, Larchmont, New York 10538; 768 McBee Road, Bellbrook, Ohio 45305; and 5815 Squire Hill Court, Cincinnati, Ohio 45241; have made a design invention in:

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and are about to make application for United States Letters Patent for a design patent therefor, the same having been executed by us on even date or dates herewith; and

WHEREAS, NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA, INC., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and having an office and place of business at 777 West Putnam Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut 06830, is desirous of acquiring the entire interest in said design invention, said United States design patent application and in any Letters Patent which may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to each of us paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the said NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA, INC., its successors, assigns and legal representatives, all right, title and interest in and to said design invention and any improvements thereon for all countries of the world, and in and to said United States design patent application, including any continuations and divisions thereof, and any substitute

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applications therefor, and any design patents which may issue thereon, and any reissues of the same, and including the right to claim priority under the International Convention based on said design patent application; and all right, title and interest in and to every design registration application filed or to be filed on said design invention in any other country, including renewals, revivals, continuations and divisions thereof, and any substitute applications therefor, and any and all design registrations which may issue thereon, and any reissues and extensions of the same; and we hereby authorize and request competent authorities to grant and issue any and all design patents and design registrations on said design invention to the said NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA, INC., as the assignee of the entire interest therein; and we further agree to execute upon request of the assignee such additional documents, if any, as are necessary and proper to secure design patent or design registration protection on said design invention throughout all countries of the world, and to otherwise give full effect to and perfect the rights of the assignee under this Assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto signed our names and affixed our seals on the date(s) indicated hereinafter.

9/10/2003

Date

J. Wayne Halfacre
J. Wayne Halfacre

STATE OF Connecticut)

COUNTY OF Fairfield)

: ss. : _____

On this 10th day of September, 2003, the above-named J. Wayne Halfacre personally appeared before me and acknowledged the above to be his signature and that he signed, sealed and delivered the above

instrument as his voluntary act and deed, and for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Joy M. Hammond
Notary Public

(Notarial seal)

My Commission Expires:

JOY M. HAMMOND
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 8/31/2005

Sept 10th 2003
Date

John S. Gruver
John S. Gruver

STATE OF Connecticut
COUNTY OF Fairfield

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: ss.: _____
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On this 10th day of September, 2003, the above-named John S. Gruver personally appeared before me and acknowledged the above to be his signature and that he signed, sealed and delivered the above instrument as his voluntary act and deed, and for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Jeanne Wofford Vitetta
Notary Public

(Notarial seal)

My Commission Expires:

JEANNE WOFFORD VITETTA
Notary Public, State of CT
County of Fairfield
Account No. 92276
Commission Expires Dec. 31, 2004

9/10/03
Date

Christian Randhahn
Christian Randhahn

STATE OF Connecticut
COUNTY OF Fairfield

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: ss.: _____
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On this 10th day of September, 2003, the above-named Christian Randhahn personally appeared before me and acknowledged the above to be his signature and that he signed, sealed and delivered the above

instrument as his voluntary act and deed, and for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

KENNETH A. EDELSTEIN
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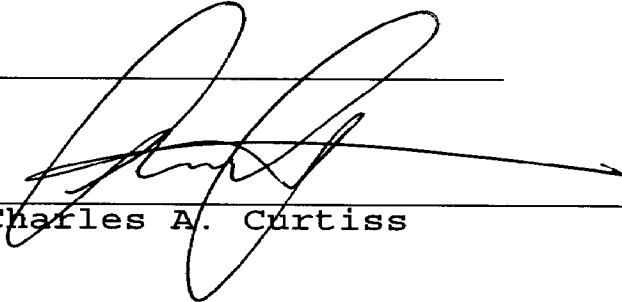
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My Commission Expires:

10.16.03

Date



Charles A. Curtiss

STATE OF NY
COUNTY OF NY

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: ss.: _____
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On this 16 day of OCTOBER, 2003, the above-named Charles A. Curtiss personally appeared before me and acknowledged the above to be his signature and that he signed, sealed and delivered the above instrument as his voluntary act and deed, and for the uses and purposes therein set forth.



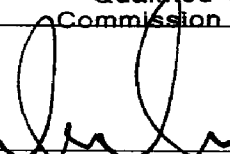
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10.16.03

Date



Stuart Leslie

STATE OF NY
COUNTY OF NY

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: ss.: _____
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On this 16 day of OCTOBER, 2003, the above-named Stuart Leslie personally appeared before me and acknowledged the above to be his signature and that he signed, sealed and delivered the above instrument as

his voluntary act and deed, and for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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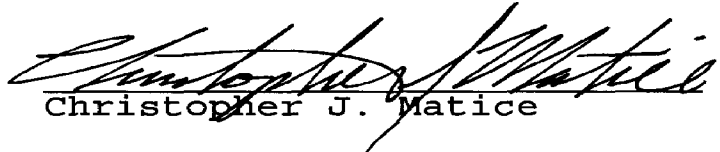
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Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

MAY 15 2006

10/21/03
Date


Christopher J. Matice

STATE OF Ohio)
COUNTY OF Warren : ss.: _____)

On this 21st day of October, 2003, the above-named Christopher J. Matice personally appeared before me and acknowledged the above to be his signature and that he signed, sealed and delivered the above instrument as his voluntary act and deed, and for the uses and purposes therein set forth.


Notary Public

(Notarial seal)

My Commission Expires:
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires Sept. 8, 2006

10/21/03
Date


Stephen P DeHoff

STATE OF Ohio)
COUNTY OF Warren : ss.: _____)

On this 21st day of October, 2003, the above-named Stephen P. DeHoff personally appeared before me and acknowledged the above to be his signature and that he signed, sealed and delivered the above

instrument as his voluntary act and deed, and for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Elizabeth M. Marriott
Notary Public

(Notarial seal)

My Commission Expires:

ELIZABETH M. MARRIOTT
Notary Public, State of Ohio
~~My Commission Expires Sept. 8, 2006~~