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PATENT

Attorney Docket No. REN-00-118-US

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Diane M. Ruezinsky, 849 Bourn Drive, Woodland, CA 95776,
respectively, have invented and own a certain invention entitled:

**NOVEL PLANT PROMOTERS FOR USE
IN EARLY SEED DEVELOPMENT**

for which invention we have executed an application (provisional or non-provisional) for a U.S. patent, which was filed on March 28, 2003, under U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/458,828, and for a U.S. patent, which was filed March 26, 2004, under U.S. Application No. 10/810,788, and

WHEREAS, Monsanto Technology LLC, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, and having an office and place of business at 800 North Lindbergh Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63167 (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire domestic and foreign right, title, and interest in and under the invention described in the patent application.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, we assign and transfer to the Assignee and the Assignee's legal representatives, successors and assigns the full and exclusive rights in and to the invention in the U.S. and every foreign country and the entire right, title, and interest in and to the patent application and other such applications (e.g., provisional applications, non-provisional applications, continuations, continuations-in-part, divisionals, reissues, reexaminations, National phase applications, including petty patent applications, and utility model applications) that may be filed in the United States and every foreign country on the invention, and the patents, extensions, or derivations thereof, both foreign and domestic, that may issue thereon, and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue U.S. patents to the above-mentioned Assignee agreeably with the terms of this assignment document.

UPON SAID CONSIDERATION, we convey to the Assignee the right to make application in its own behalf for protection of the invention in the U.S. and countries foreign to the U.S. and to claim under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the International Convention and/or other international arrangement for any such application the date of the U.S. application (or any other application on the invention) to gain priority with respect to other applications.

In re Appln. of Diane M. RUEZINSKY
Attorney Docket No. REN-00-118-US

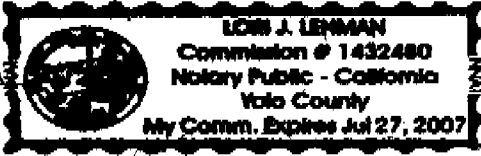
WE DO HEREBY COVENANT and agree with the Assignee that we will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with the terms of this assignment document set forth herein, and that we will at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the Assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and do such additional acts as the Assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the Assignee's enjoyment of this assignment, and render all necessary assistance in making application for and obtaining original, continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, reissued, reexamined, and National phase patents of the U.S. or of any and all foreign countries on the invention, and in enforcing any rights or choses in action accruing as a result of such applications or patents, and by executing statements and other affidavits, it being understood that the foregoing covenant and agreement shall bind, and inure to the benefit of, the assigns and legal representatives of all parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunder set our hands on the dates shown below.

Date 4/23/04 Diane M Ruezinsky
Diane M. Ruezinsky

STATE OF California)
COUNTY OF Yolo) SS:

On this 23rd day of April, 2004, before me, a Notary Public in and for said county, appeared Diane M. Ruezinsky, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing assignment document, and acknowledged that ~~he~~/she signed and delivered the document as ~~his~~/her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

 {SEA} Louis J. Lehman
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 7-27-07

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