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ASSIGNMENT

The ASSIGNOR(S), Michael R. St. John, Angela P. Zagala

have invented certain new and useful improvements in METHOD OF USING ALDEHYDE-FUNCTIONALIZED POLYMERS TO ENHANCE PAPER MACHINE DEWATERING

an invention which is fully described in United States Patent Application executed of even date herewith; and

The ASSIGNEE, NALCO COMPANY, a DELAWARE corporation having its principal office at 1601 West Diehl Road, in Naperville, Illinois, 60563-1198, wishes to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and under Letters Patent which may be obtained for this invention.

For valuable and legally sufficient consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignor(s) hereby, assigns, transfers and sets over to Assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified invention and patent application and all rights and privileges under any Letters Patent of the United States which may issue thereon.

The Assignor(s) also assigns, transfers and sets over to Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention and any patent application and Letters Patent that may be granted thereon in all countries foreign to the United States, including all rights under the International Convention. The Assignor(s) further authorizes Assignee to apply for Letters Patent in foreign countries in the name of Assignee, and to claim the priority of the filing date of the United States Patent Application under the provisions of the International Convention.

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