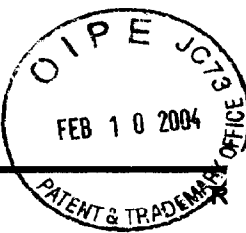


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ASSIGNMENT
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Peter Ernest Page, residing at 25/47 Forrest Avenue, East Perth WA 6004 Australia, Alexander Jeffrey Burns, residing at 16 Woolley Street, Willetton WA 6155, Australia and John Edward Niski, residing at 17 Crawshaw Crescent, Manning WA 6152, Australia (each referred to as "Assignor") have invented an invention(s) (the "Invention(s)") set forth in an application for patent of the United States, entitled A METHOD OF SUSPENDING, COMPLETING AND WORKING OVER A WELL, and which is a:

- (1) provisional application
(a) to be filed herewith; or
(b) bearing Application No. _____, and filed on _____; or
- (2) non-provisional application
(a) to be filed herewith; or
(b) bearing Application No. 10/678,636, and filed on October 6, 2003.

WHEREAS, Woodside Energy Limited, a corporation duly organized under and pursuant to the laws of Australia, and having its principal place of business at 1 Adelaide Terrace, Perth WA 6000, Australia (the "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in: the Invention(s); the application for patent identified in paragraph (1) or (2); the right to file applications for patent of the United States or other countries on the Invention(s); any application(s) for patent of the United States or other countries claiming priority to these application(s); any provisional or other right to recover damages, including royalties, for prior infringements of these applications; and any patent(s) of the United States or other countries that may be granted therefor or thereon.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and sufficient consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and to the extent that the Assignor has not done so already via a prior agreement with the Assignee, or if the Assignor has already done so via a prior agreement with the Assignee then in confirmation of any obligation to do so in said prior agreement, the Assignor has sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and by these presents does sell, assign, transfer, and set over, unto the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, the Assignor's entire right, title, and interest in:

- (a) the Invention(s);
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The Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the attorneys of Edell, Shapiro & Finnan, LLC to insert in the spaces provided above the filing date, the application number, and the attorney docket number of the application identified in paragraph (1) or (2) when known.

The Assignor hereby requests the Commissioner of Patents to issue said patents of the United States to the Assignee for the sole use and behalf of the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assigns.


Date: 28-01-04

By: 
Peter Ernest Page

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Alexander Jeffrey Burns

Date: 2.2.04.

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