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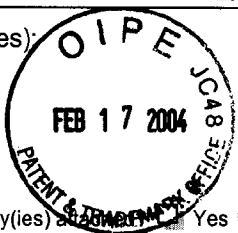
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**ASSIGNMENT**

Docket No. 2005.18  
Serial No. 10/672,673  
Filed: September 26, 2003

WHEREAS, UNDERSIGNED

Todd Ames; Ricky Lee Kenley; and Bobby R. Lomax

all citizens of the United States of America, residing at

3815 Concord Road, York, South Carolina 29745, USA;  
14733 Cane Field Drive, Charlotte, North Carolina 28273, USA;  
8427 Rising Sun Lane, Fort Mill, South Carolina 29715, USA

have invented certain new and useful improvements (INVENTION) disclosed, shown, and described in an APPLICATION for Letters Patent of the United States entitled

“METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING AN ABSORBENT COMPOSITE”

Docket No. 2005.18, said APPLICATION having been filed on September 26, 2003, and

WHEREAS, by virtue of a pre-existing obligation of assignment, the UNDERSIGNED have been under a continuous obligation since prior to the invention of the subject matter of the said APPLICATION to assign the said APPLICATION to Celanese Acetate, LLC, and

WHEREAS, Celanese Acetate, LLC, a limited liability company, having an office at 2300 Archdale Drive, Charlotte, North Carolina 28210, USA (ASSIGNEE) is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the INVENTION, in this and any foreign country, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States or any foreign country which may be granted embracing the INVENTION.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, UNDERSIGNED by these presents, sells, assigns and transfers unto ASSIGNEE, its legal representatives, successors, and assigns, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to the INVENTION, and in and to the said APPLICATION, and in and to any applications for Letters Patent which have been or may be filed in any foreign country on said INVENTION, and in and to any and all priority rights generated by the filing of said APPLICATION in the United States or any foreign country, which may be granted covering the INVENTION, including any continuations, substitutions, divisions, reissues, or renewals thereof, said Letters Patent whether of this country or any foreign country to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE for its interest, for its own use and behalf, and for its legal representatives, successors, and assigns, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by UNDERSIGNED had this assignment and sale not been made.

THE UNDERSIGNED covenant not to have executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict with this assignment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF this assignment has been executed by UNDERSIGNED on the date opposite his name.

Date 1/17/04 Todd Ames (LS)

TODD AMES

Date 1/12/04 Ricky Lee Kenley (LS)

RICKY LEE KENLEY

Date \_\_\_\_\_ (LS)

BOBBY R. LOMAX

State of North Carolina )

County of Mecklenburg )

On January 17, 2004 before me a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, appeared ~~TODD AMES, RICKY LEE KENLEY, AND BOBBY R. LOMAX~~, to me personally known to be the same persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that they executed said instrument as their free and voluntary act, and for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and seal the day and year last above given.

Janice B. Davis  
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Date \_\_\_\_\_ (LS)

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Ricky Lee Kenley  
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