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WHEREAS, we, Karl Heinz Schmid, Almud Folge and Ansgar Behler citizens of Germany and residents of Stifterstrasse 10, 40822 Mettmann, Germany; Hagebuttenweg 23, 40764 Langenfeld, Germany; and Siegfriedstrasse 80, 46240 Bottrop, Germany; respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvement in METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF SURFACE ACTIVE AGENT MIXTURES for which we have made application for United States Letters Patent, said application having been filed as PCT international application number PCT/EP02/04694 on April 27, 2002 designating the United States of America and various other countries; and

WHEREAS, Cognis Deutschland GmbH & Co. KG (Cognis), a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Germany and having a place of business at Henkelstrasse 67, 40589 Duesseldorf, Germany is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all Letters Patent which may issue thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that we, the said Karl Heinz Schmid, Almud Folge and Ansgar Behler for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said Cognis its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all Letters Patent that may issue thereon

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AND, we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent which may issue upon said invention to said Cognis as assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, said application and any and all Letters Patent that may issue thereupon.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand as of the following date(s).

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Karl Heinz Schmid

Date 10.10.2003

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