PATENT ASSIGNMENT

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SUBMISSION TYPE:	NEW ASSIGNMENT
NATURE OF CONVEYANCE:	Contract

CONVEYING PARTY DATA

Name	Execution Date
Barry Nicholson	02/18/2002

RECEIVING PARTY DATA

Name:	Schlumberger Technology Corporation	
Street Address:	36 Old Quarry Road	
City:	Ridgefield	
State/Country:	CONNECTICUT	
Postal Code:	06877-4108	

PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 1

Property Type	Number
Application Number:	10849745

CORRESPONDENCE DATA

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NAME OF SUBMITTER: Ruth A. Schreiber

Total Attachments: 2

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PATENT AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made by and between Schlumberger Global Resources Limited, a Bermudan corporation acting for itself and on behalf of its Affiliates (hereinafter referred to as "Company") and <u>Barry Nicholson</u> (hereinafter referred to as "Employee"), and shall be effective as of the <u>18th February</u>, 2002.

In consideration of Company's employment or continued employment of Employee and the payment of a salary or other remuneration, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1. Except as required in performing Employee's duties, Employee will not remove from Company's or its Affiliates' facilities any invention records, computer software, customer information, well logs or other client data, equipment, drawings, notes, reports, manuals, or other material whether produced by Employee or obtained from Company or its Affiliates. Employee agrees to return all such information and materials to Company or its Affiliates immediately upon request and in any event upon termination of employment. Employee will not publish or disclose to anyone outside of Company or its Affiliates, or use in any way other than Company's business, any trade secrets or confidential technical or business information or material of Company or its Affiliates either during or after employment with Company.
- 2. Because of the position of trust and confidence Employee will occupy within Company, Employee has been or will be entrusted with valuable trade secrets and other confidential information belonging to Company and its Affiliates relating to the development and production of methods and apparatus particularly useful in the business of: i) evaluating, treating and/or testing earth formations and boreholes, both cased and uncased; and ii) interpreting the characteristics of earth formations and the applications of those interpretations (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Field of Activity"). In order to protect Company against the unlawful disclosure of such trade secrets and confidential information to others, and to shield Employee from pressure to use or disclose such secrets and information, Employee agrees that for a period of one (1) year following the date of termination of employment with Company or an Affiliate, Employee will not engage either directly or indirectly in the Field of Activity for Employee's personal account or as a consultant to or employee of another organization.
- 3. Company has attempted to place the most reasonable limitations on Employee's subsequent employment opportunities consistent with protection of Company's valuable business interests. In order to accommodate Employee when reasonably possible, the Company may grant a waiver, which may be unqualified or based upon stated conditions, of the limitation specified in Paragraph 2 provided that Employee makes a written request to Company for such waiver before accepting employment in conflict with Paragraph 2. Such a request must include the name and address of the proposed organisation with which Employee seeks employment and the position and duties Employee expects to occupy and exercise. The Company will promptly consider such requests, and an appropriate waiver will not be unreasonably withheld.
- 4. Employee will promptly furnish to Company a complete record of any and all ideas, discoveries, inventions, writings and improvements, whether or not patentable or copyrightable, which Employee solely or jointly with others may conceive or reduce to practice during employment with Company or its Affiliates.
- 5. Employee agrees to assign and hereby does assign to Company or its nominee Employee's entire right, title, and interest in and to all ideas, discoveries, inventions, writings and improvements coming within the scope of Paragraph
 - : (a) that relate in any way to the Field of Activity; or
 - (b) that are suggested by or result from any work performed by Employee for Company; or
 - (c) that relate in any way to the business or activities of Affiliates of Company with business interests in the Field of Activity,

together with any and all domestic and foreign patent rights and copyrights in such ideas, discoveries, inventions, writings and improvements. Employee agrees to execute various documents and to do anything else properly requested by Company at any time during or after employment with Company to secure such rights.

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- 6. Company does not wish to receive from Employee any confidential or proprietary information of a third party to which Employee owes an obligation of confidence; accordingly. Employee represents and warrants that any information Employee provides to Company is not in any way confidential or proprietary.
- 7. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon Company, it successors and assigns, and upon Employee's heirs and legal representatives.
- 8. By accepting a transfer to an Affiliate of Company, Employee agrees to the automatic assignment of this Agreement to said Affiliate contemporaneously with the acceptance of such transfer.
- 9. This Agreement may be modified, superseded or amended only in writing signed by an authorised representative of Company or an Affiliate and by Employee.
- 10. Because Employee may work in various locations and to eliminate potential uncertainty over the governing law, this Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas. Should any portion of this Agreement be held judicially invalid, unenforceable or void, such holding will not have the effect of invalidating or voiding the other portions of this Agreement not so declared or any part thereof, the parties hereby agreeing that the portion so held to be invalid, unenforceable or void shall be deemed amended, reduced in scope or deleted to the extent required to be valid and enforceable in the jurisdiction of such holding.
- 11. "Affiliate" as used herein means any corporation which now or in the future directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with Company, where "control" in relation to a corporation means the direct or indirect ownership of at least fifty percent of the voting securities.

SCHLUMBERGER GLOBAL RESOURCES LTD.

By:

Corydon Mitchell

Title: MANAGING DIRECTOR

Read, understood, accepted and agreed

By:

Barry Nicholson

Date:

RECORDED: 09/23/2004

18th February 2002

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