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has made certain inventions or discoveries (or both) set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America PROCESS FOR PRODUCING METAL/METAL FOAM COMPOSITE COMPONENTS which application was executed by me and Goldschmidt AG, whose address is (Goldschmidtstraße 100, D-45127 Essen, Germany and Bühler Druckguss AG, CH-9240 Uzwil, Switzerland which, together with its successors and assigns is hereinafter called "Assignee," is desirous of acquiring the title, rights, benefits and privileges hereinafter recited, and of confirming the same or any part thereof heretofore acquired by Assignee.

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