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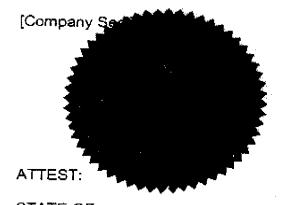
PATENT ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, The BOC Group plc, an English corporation, having its principal office and place of business at Chertsey Road, Windlesham, Surrey GU20 6HJ, United Kingdom (hereinafter "Assignor") is the owner of the patents and patent applications identified on the attached Schedule A:

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 5.08(a) of the Cooperation Agreement dated September 30, 2002 by and between in part The BOC Group pic and Linde AG, The BOC Group, Inc. has offered to Linde AG the opportunity to prosecute or maintain the said patents and patent applications:

WHEREAS Linde AG, a German Aktiengellschaft, having its office and principal place of business at Dr. --Carl-von-Linde-Str. 6-14, 82049 Hoellriegelskreuth, Germany (hereinafter "Assignee") is desirous of acquiring said patents and patent applications:

NOW THEREFORE TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by said Assignor, said Assignor by these presents does hereby sell, assign, and transfer to Assignee, its successors and assigns, as of June 30, 2004 its entire right, title and interest in and to said patents, and in and to any and all reissues or extensions thereof.



The BOC Group plo

By:

Eamon Connolly
General Counsel - Intellectual Property

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On this __30th _day of _June__, 2004, before me, a notary public within and for said County, personally appeared _Eamon Connolly _____, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn on oath did say that he is __General Counsel ____ of said

corporation, and that said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors and said acknowledged said instrument to be the free act

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I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the original.

München, den 28.10.2004 Munich, this October 28th, 2004

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