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WHEREAS, the ASSIGNEE, Vallourec Mannesmann Oil & Gas France, a French corporation, having a place of business in France is desirous of acquiring fifty percent of undivided joint interest in, to and under said U.S. patent and the invention therein and of becoming a joint owner of said U.S. patent and

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it know that for good, adequate, and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the ASSIGNOR hereby sells, assigns and transfer to ASSIGNEE fifty percent of undivided joint interest in the full and exclusive right, title, and interest to said United States Patent No. 6,045,165 and the invention therein for the full term of said Patent and any reissue or extension thereof. The ASSIGNOR hereby keeps the remaining fifty percent interest for itself.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned ASSIGNOR has hereunto set its hand and seal this $2^{\frac{10}{10}}$ day of November~, 2004.

Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd.

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Name: Hiroaki MIURA Title: General Manager of Intellectual Property Department

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, the ASSIGNOR, Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd., a Japanese corporation, having a place of business in Osaka, Japan, is the owner of U. S. Patent No. 6,237,967 and in and to the invention therein; and

WHEREAS, the ASSIGNEE, Vallourec Mannesmann Oil & Gas France, a French corporation, having a place of business in France is desirous of acquiring fifty percent of undivided joint interest in, to and under said U.S. patent and the invention therein and of becoming a joint owner of said U.S. patent and

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned ASSIGNOR has hereunto set its hand and seal this 9th day of $N_{overnber}$, 2004.

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