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## ASSIGNMENT OF APPLICATION FOR PATENT

WHEREAS, we, Paul Birnbrich, Thorsten Roloff, Giorgio Sabbadini and Hans-Josef Thomas, citizens of Germany, with the exception of Giorgio Sabbadini, who is a citizen of Italy, and residents of Untenitter 3, 42719 Solingen, Germany; Erlanger Strasse 45, 40597 Duesseldorf, Germany; Via Sartirana 18, 20017 Rho, Italy; and Reydter Strasse 235, 41352 Korschenbroich, Germany; respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvement in HARDENERS FOR WATER-BASED EPOXY RESIN SYSTEMS AND PROCESSES FOR USING THE SAME for which we have made application for United States Letters Patent, said application having been executed on even date(s) herewith 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 Paul Birnbrich, Thorsten Roloff, Giorgio Sabbadini and Hans-Josef Thomas 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 in the United States together with any division, divisions, extension or extensions, reissue or reissues thereof;

AND, we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents 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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Date 02.11.2004

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