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Assignment of Invention

WHEREAS WE, **Jean-Renaud BRUGEROLLE**, and **Bao HA**, respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvements in <u>Low Temperature Air Separation Process</u> for Producing Pressurized Gaseous Product, for which an application for Letters Patent was filed on July 14, 2004, having Application No. 10/890,650;

WHEREAS, L'Air Liquide, Société Anonyme à Directoire et Conseil De Surveillance Pour l'Étude et l'Exploitation Des Procédés Georges Claude (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE") having a place of business at: 75 Quai d'Orsay, 75321 PARIS Cedex 07, FRANCE, desires to acquire from Jean-Renaud BRUGEROLLE and Bao HA the entire right, title, and interest we have in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted thereof in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, effective as of the first priority date, the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all subsequent provisionals, non-provisionals, divisions, reissues, continuations, substitutions and renewals thereof.

We hereby authorize and request the Patent Office Officials in the United States and its territorial possessions and any and all foreign countries to issue any and all of said Letters Patent, when granted, to said ASSIGNEE as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and behoof of said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by me had this Assignment and sale not been made.

Further, we agree that we will communicate to said ASSIGNEE or its representatives any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all non-provisional, divisional, continuation, substitute, renewal and reissue applications, execute all necessary assignment papers to cause any and all of said Letters Patent to be issued to said ASSIGNEE, make all rightful oaths, and, generally do everything possible to aid said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries.

The undersigned hereby grant(s) authorized representatives of the above identified ASSIGNEE(S) the power to insert on this assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

Date: Sept 27, 2004

Jean-Renaud BRUGEROLLE (Inventor)

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Bao HA (Inventor)

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