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## ASSIGNMENT OF PATENTS

WHEREAS, HOEGEMEYER HYBRIDS, INC., a Nebraska corporation, having a place of business at 1755 Hoegemeyer Road, Hooper, Nebraska ("ASSIGNOR") is the sole and exclusive owner of each of the patents and patent applications listed in Annex A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, all of which patents and patent applications were issued by or filed with the United States Patent and Trade Mark Office under the patent or application numbers listed in Annex A (all of such patents and patent applications are herein referred to as the "Patents"); and

WHEREAS, Syngenta Seeds AG, a Swiss corporation having a place of business at Schwarzsaldallee 215, CH-4002 Basel, Switzerland ("ASSIGNEE"), desires to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to each of the Patents;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that ASSIGNOR, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by ASSIGNOR, does hereby sell, transfer, convey, assign and deliver unto ASSIGNEE the entire right, title and interest of ASSIGNOR in and to the Patents as well as any and all inventions embodied in the Patents and related patent applications and any and all invention disclosures which are not yet filed but which are directed to the same or similar subject matter, and any letters patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States and in all countries throughout the world, including any and all divisions, renewals, continuations in whole or in part, substitutions, conversions, reissuances, prolongations or extensions thereof.

All said rights, title, interests and privilege shall be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE for its own use and benefit and for the use and benefit of its successors, assigns or other legal representatives to the full end and term of any such Patents, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNOR if this Assignment had not been made.

ASSIGNOR further agrees that it will, without charge to said ASSIGNEE, but at

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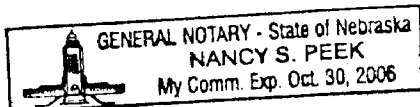
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18 day of March, 2004.

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ANNEX A

HOEGEMEYER HYBRIDS, INC.

PATENTS

Line	Patent No.
HX621, aka SG1847	6,040,506
HX622, aka TR7322	6,040,507
HX740	6,043,416

APPLICATIONS

HX894, aka MBS2882	10/266,987
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HX879*	10/266,986*
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\*This application was abandoned by the applicant on December 31, 2003.