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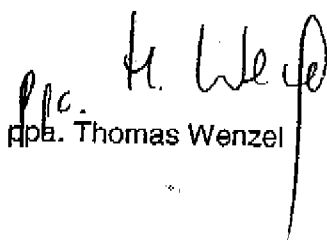
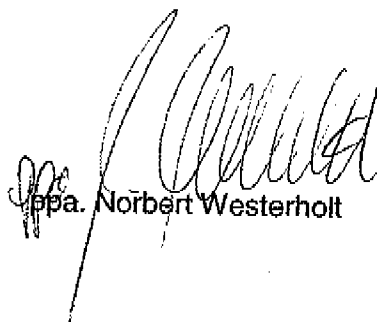
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ASSIGNOR:

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Date: November 3, 2005
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I, the undersigned Dr. Norbert Zimmermann, German Notary duly admitted and sworn in with official residence at Düsseldorf, Germany, herewith authenticate the signature

- given before me by
Mr. Thomas Wenzel,
born on 11 April 1959
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- given before me by
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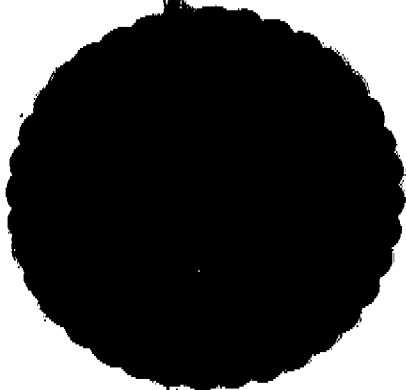
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Mr. Norbert Westerholt as "Prokurist" (with registered procuration) of Degussa AG and Mr. Thomas Wenzel as "Prokurist" (with registered procuration) of Degussa AG are duly authorized to represent and act legally with joint authority for and on behalf of Degussa AG.

I certify this upon today's inspection of the Commercial Register at the Local Court at Düsseldorf No. HRB 39635.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office.

Düsseldorf, 9 November 2005




Dr. Norbert Zimmermann
Notary