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ASSIGNMENT

For good and valuable consideration received, I/we, Ronald Buford Sheppard, Brent Alan Tennant, Thomas Earl Woodruff, Robert Lin, and Ruairi Seosamh O'Meadhra, do hereby sell and assign to Eastman Chemical Company, a Delaware corporation having a place of business at Kingsport, Tennessee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, interest and priority rights in and to all of my/our inventions, discoveries and improvements disclosed in an application for Letters Patent for

PROCESS FOR THE OXIDATIVE PURIFICATION OF TEREPHTHALIC
ACID

executed by Ronald Buford Sheppard the 2nd day of February 2006
executed by Brent Alan Tennant the 2nd day of February 2006
executed by Thomas Earl Woodruff the 2nd day of FEBRUARY 2006
executed by Robert Lin the 2nd day of February 2006
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and all right, title and interest in and to Letters Patent and similar protective rights granted on said applications in the United States and other countries, as well as the right to claim any applicable priority rights arising from said applications under the terms of any applicable conventions, treaties, statutes or regulations, said applications to be filed and issued in the name of Eastman Chemical Company or its designee; and I/we agree to execute such documents as in the judgment of Eastman Chemical Company may be necessary to obtain any such patents and similar protective rights and vest and maintain the title thereto in Eastman Chemical Company or its designee; and I/we further agree that, upon request, but without expense to me/us, I/we shall furnish to Eastman Chemical Company or its designee any data, information, exhibits, memoranda, or other evidence in our possession relating to any of said inventions, discoveries or improvements and to testify in any ex parte or inter partes legal proceedings relating to any of said inventions, discoveries, improvements, applications, patents or similar protective rights; and I/we authorize and request issuance of all Letters Patent and similar protective rights that may be granted on any of said applications, to the extent that and in such manner as such issuance shall be requested by Eastman Chemical Company or its

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designee. This document shall be governed, construed, and interpreted in all respects in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee, USA.

Signed this 2nd day of February, 2006

Ronald Buford Shepard
Ronald Buford Shepard

CERTIFICATE OF WITNESS

I acknowledge that I was personally present and did see the above-named inventor, who is personally known to me, duly execute the above assignment on the date therein set forth.

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