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ASSIGNMENT

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The Patents

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WHEREAS, Noble Drilling Services Inc. of 13135 South Dairy Ashford, Suite 800, Sugar Land, TX 77478, a Delaware corporation hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE" wants to acquire an interest in the Patents, the Applications and any patents that may be granted thereon, and the inventions described or claimed therein;

NOW, THEREFORE:

For good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by ASSIGNOR, ASSIGNOR has assigned, and by these presents does assign, to ASSIGNEE all right, title and interest, including the right to sue for past infringement, in and to the Patents and the Applications, and the inventions described or claimed therein, to all foreign counterparts of the Patents and Applications (including patent, utility model and industrial designs), and in and to any letters patents and registrations which may hereafter be granted on the Applications in the United States and all countries throughout the world, and to claim the priority from the Applications as provided by the Paris Convention. The right, title and interest is to be held and enjoyed by ASSIGNEE and ASSIGNEE'S successors and assigns as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNOR had this assignment not been made, for the full term of the Patents and any patents that may be granted on the Applications, including any divisions, renewals, continuations in whole or in part, substitutions, conversions, reissues, prolongations or extensions thereof.

ASSIGNOR further agrees that ASSIGNOR will execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers and perform such other acts as ASSIGNEE lawfully may request to vest the rights conveyed, or intended to be conveyed, herein in ASSIGNEE, or ASSIGNEE'S successors and assigns.

PATENT

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, this Assignment is executed this 23 day of January, 2006.

Noble Engineering & Development, Ltd.

BY: Richard A. Fagin
Richard A. Fagin
Vice-President

Acknowledgement of Notary Public

State of TEXAS
County of FORT BEND

Before me personally appeared: RICHARD A. FAGIN

who acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be a free act and deed and also represented that he is authorized to execute this Assignment.

Dated: 1.23.06
Tammy D. Ward
Notary Public My commission expires: Aug 23, 2009

