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Assignment To BP Corporation North America Inc.

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Whereas we,

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have invented certain new and useful improvements in

APPARATUS AND PROCESS FOR THE SEPARATION OF SOLIDS AND LIQUIDS

| identified as | Wilsak et al. |
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| Attorney Docket | 39,188 |

and described in an application for patent in the United States of America identified above and executed by us, respectively; and

Whereas, BP Corporation North America Inc., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Indiana, U.S.A., and having a principal office and place of business at Warrenville, Illinois, U.S.A., desires to record a specific assignment to the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified invention or inventions, and in and to any Letters Patent therefor in the United States of America and countries foreign thereto;

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Now therefore, in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration by each of us received, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we jointly and severally have sold and assigned, and hereby do sell and assign, to BP Corporation North America Inc., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest (a) in the above-identified invention or inventions and all improvements and modifications thereof, (b) in the above-identified application, all provisional and non-provisional applications for patent upon which the above-identified application claims benefit, and all other applications for patent of the United States of America and countries foreign thereto for the above-identified invention or inventions and all improvements and modifications thereof, (c) in all Letters Patent which may issue from said applications in the United States of America and countries foreign thereto, and (d) in all divisions, reissues, continuations, conversions, and extensions of said applications and Letters Patent; and covenant we have the full right so to do; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all United States Letters Patent on the invention or inventions included herein to BP Corporation North America Inc. as assignee of the entire interest.

We further agree that we shall communicate to BP Corporation North America Inc., its successors and assigns, or their representatives or agents all facts and information known or available to us relating to said invention or inventions, improvements and modifications including evidence for interference, reexamination, reissue, opposition, revocation, conversion, extension, or infringement purposes or other legal, judicial or administrative proceedings, whenever requested; testify in person or by affidavit as required by BP Corporation North America Inc., its successors and assigns, in any such proceeding in the United States of America or a country foreign thereto; execute and deliver, on request, all lawful papers including, but not limited to, original, provisional, non-provisional, divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, and reissue applications, renewals, assignments, powers of attorney, oaths, affidavits, declarations, and depositions; and provide all reasonable assistance to BP Corporation North America Inc., its successors and assigns, in obtaining and enforcing proper protection for said invention or inventions, improvements and modifications under the intellectual property laws of the United States of America and countries foreign thereto.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, respectively, on the dates set after our respective signatures.

| Richard a. Will | (L.S.), <i>May</i> 11 | , 20 <u>06</u> |
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| each of whom is known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and each of whom acknowledged such instrument was signed, sealed and delivered as that person's free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes set forth therein. |
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| Before me this 15 day of 2006 personally appeared each person listed below: |
| each of whom is known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and each of whom acknowledged such instrument was signed, sealed and delivered as that person's free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes set forth therein. |
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