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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, **Carlos M. Nunez, Geddes H. Ramsey, Pamela M. Barfield, and Larry G. Jones**, being employees of the United States of America (hereinafter referred to as the Government), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, have invented a new and useful improvement in **REDUCED VOC COATINGS USING CHEMICALLY MODIFIED HYPERBRANCHED POLYMERS**, EPA Case No. 676-03 (hereafter referred to as the Invention) for which an application for Letter Patents has been executed by them this day; and

WHEREAS, the conditions under which the Invention was made, namely (i) that the Invention is directly related to the duties of the Government employment which **Carlos M. Nunez, Geddes H. Ramsey, Pamela M. Barfield and Larry G. Jones** had at the time they made the Invention, and (ii) Government funds and facilities were used to make the Invention, are such as to entitle the Government, pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order 10096, January 28, 1950, as amended by Executive Order 10930, March 24, 1961, and applicable regulations, including 37 CFR Part 501, to the entire right, title and interest in and to the Invention, including foreign rights; and

WHEREAS, the Government, as represented by the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in said Invention, throughout the world, and all of our interests in said Application and in any and all Letter Patent that may issue thereon;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of these premises, we **Carlos M. Nunez, Geddes H. Ramsey, Pamela M. Barfield, and Larry G. Jones** do

hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto The United States of America, as represented by the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, our entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in and to said Application, the Invention as described and/or claimed in said Application, and in and to any Letters Patent that may issue on said Application or on any application that is a continuation, division, reissue or extension thereof.

We, **Carlos M. Nunez, Geddes H. Ramsey, Pamela M. Barfield, and Larry G. Jones** do hereby agree that the Government will, upon its request, be provided promptly with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said Application, said Invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents in foreign countries as may be known and accessible to us, that we will testify as to the same in any interference or litigation related thereto, and that we will promptly execute and deliver to the Government or its legal representative any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue and enforce said Application, said Invention and said Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof in any foreign country which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purpose thereof, provided, that all proper expenses arising through extending such assistance will be paid by the Government if we are not employed by the Government at the time the assistance is extended.

We, **Carlos M. Nunez, Geddes H. Ramsey, Pamela M. Barfield, and Larry G. Jones** hereby warrant that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment.

Executed this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Sept. 2006.

Signature: Carlos M. Nunez  
**CARLOS M. NUNEZ**

Before me personally appeared said Carlos Manuel Nunez and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this 21 day of September 2006.

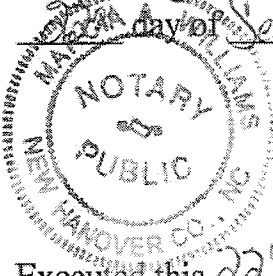
Signature: G. B. Holt  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**

GARY BLOUNT, JR.  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
DURHAM COUNTY, N.C.  
exp: 10-31-2011

Executed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2006.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
**GEDDES H. RAMSEY**

Before me personally appeared said Pamela Meads Barfield and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this 22 day of September 2006.

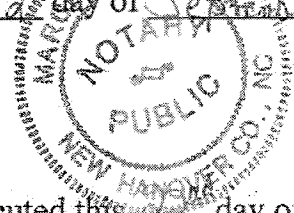


Signature: Marcia D. Walker  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**

Executed this 22 day of September 2006.

Signature: Pamela M. Barfield  
**PAMELA M. BARFIELD**

Before me personally appeared said Larry Gordon Jones and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be her free act and deed this 22 day of September 2006.



Signature: Marcia D. Walker  
**NOTARY PUBLIC**

Executed this 22 day of September 2006.

Signature: Larry G. Jones  
**LARRY G. JONES**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**CARLOS M. NUNEZ**

Before me personally appeared said \_\_\_\_\_ and  
acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this  
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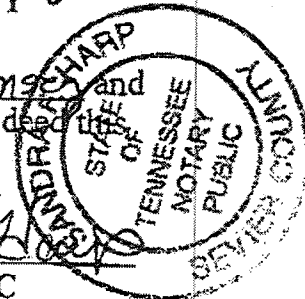
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**GEDDES H. RAMSEY**

Before me personally appeared said Geddes H. Ramsey and  
acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this  
14 day of Sept 2006.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Executed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2006.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**PAMELA M. BARFIELD**

Before me personally appeared said \_\_\_\_\_  
and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be her free act and deed this  
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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTARY PUBLIC**

Executed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2006.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**LARRY G. JONES**