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UTILITY PATENT

WHEREAS, the undersigned inventor(s) (hereinafter singly and collectively, "ASSIGNOR") of the address(es) indicated below, have invented a **METHOD FOR RECOVERY OF METAL VALUES FROM METAL-CONTAINING MATERIALS USING HIGH TEMPERATURE PRESSURE LEACHING** for which application for Letters Patent of the United States has been executed herewith;

AND WHEREAS, PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Arizona, having its principal place of business at and a mailing address of 2600 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85004-3014, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

AND WHEREAS, a "formal application," as referred to herein, shall mean any provisional, non-provisional, continuation, continuation in part, divisional, reissue, reexamination, foreign, PCT or other patent application or like document;

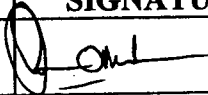
NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the full and exclusive right to the aforesaid applications, to the invention as described in the aforesaid applications, and to all formal applications which may be filed based in whole or in part on one or more of the aforesaid applications, in the United States and all foreign countries, together with the right of priority under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, Inter-American Convention Relating to Patents, Designs and Industrial Models, and any other international agreements to which the United States adheres, and hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to ASSIGNEE, for the sole use and benefit of ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives,

AND HEREBY AGREE to transfer, upon request of ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, and without further remuneration, a like interest in and to any improvements and formal applications based thereon, growing out of or relating to the invention;

AGREEING, FURTHERMORE, without further remuneration, to provide all reasonable assistance and execute any papers requested by ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, to preserve and/or acquire ASSIGNEE's full protection and title in and to the invention hereby transferred and any improvements therein,

AGREEING, FURTHERMORE, upon request of ASSIGNEE, and without further remuneration, to execute any and all papers desired by ASSIGNEE for the filing and granting of formal applications based on the invention or improvements therein, and for the filing and granting of foreign applications and the perfecting of title thereto in ASSIGNEE.

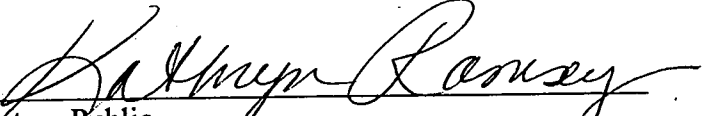
EXECUTED as of the date(s) written below by ASSIGNOR:

INVENTOR'S NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE	DATE
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STATE OF AZ)
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 County of Maricopa)

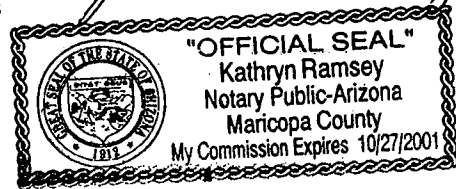
On this 24 day of July, 2001, before me, a notary public in and for said county, appeared John O. Marsden, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as a free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

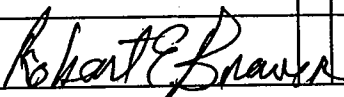
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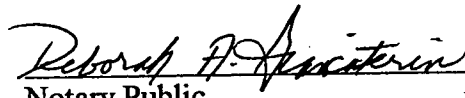


INVENTOR'S NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE	DATE
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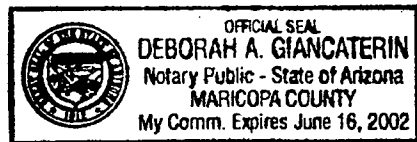
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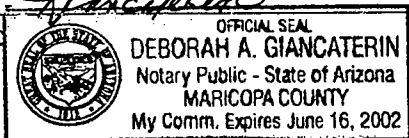
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Joanna M. Robertson	1452 S. Roadrunner Lane Thatcher, Arizona 85552	<i>Joanna M. Robertson</i>	24 July 01

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On this 24 day of July, 2001, before me, a notary public in and for said county, appeared Joanna M. Robertson, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and she acknowledged that she signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as a free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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INVENTOR'S NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE	DATE
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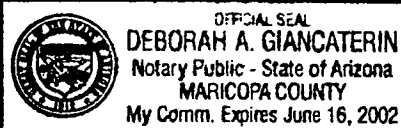
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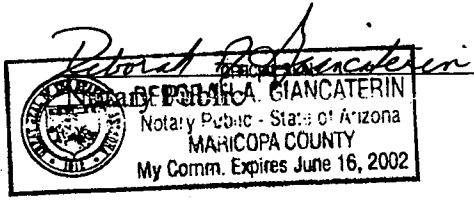
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INVENTOR'S NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE	DATE
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On this 24 day of July, 2001, before me, a notary public in and for said county, appeared David R. Baughman, who is personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and he acknowledged that he signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as a free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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