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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, I, DENNIS L. SCHULTZE, a citizen of the United States, residing at 806 East Walnut Avenue, Olivia, Minnesota 56277 ("ASSIGNOR"), am the inventor of an invention in SOYBEAN CULTIVAR 26034631 for which an application for Letters Patent is being filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office; and

WHEREAS, MERTEC LLC, a limited liability company, organized under the laws of the state of Iowa, with a principal place of business at 103 Avenue D, West Point, Iowa 52656 ("ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to ASSIGNOR in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States, all Letters Patent which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof and all rights of priority in any such country or countries based upon the filing of the said application for Letters Patent of the United States which are created by any law, treaty or international convention, all plant breeder's rights applications which may have been filed or may hereafter be filed for said invention or have been granted in any country or countries foreign to the United States, including but not limited to any Plant Breeder's Rights applications applied for or granted under a Community Plant Variety Right member or an International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants ("UPOV") member or a non-UPOV member ("Plant Breeder's Rights") and all Plant Variety Protection applications which may have been filed, may hereafter be filed or have been granted for said invention in the United States; and ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents, Plant Variety Protection Certificates or Plant Breeder's Rights on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent, Plant Variety Protection Certificates or Plant Breeder's Rights for said invention to ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND ASSIGNOR HEREBY covenants that ASSIGNOR has full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and has not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith, and conveys all rights to sue for any past infringement under the said invention.

AND ASSIGNOR HEREBY further covenants and agrees that ASSIGNOR will communicate to ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to ASSIGNOR respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection, Plant Variety Protection and Plant Breeder's Rights protection for said invention in all countries.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal.

2-13-08  
Date

  
Signature: DENNIS L. SCHULTZE

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