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This Assignment made by Hossein Nadjafizadeh of Villers-les Nancy, France; Pascal Nicolazzi of Laxou, France; and Véronique Griller Lanoir of Besançon France; Assignors, to MALLINCKRODT DEVELOPPEMENT FRANCE, a French corporation, Assignee, having a place of business at Pole Technologique de Brabois, 10, allée de Pelletier Doisy, F-54600 Villers-les-Nancy, France.

WHEREAS, Assignors have invented a new and useful GAS SUPPLY DEVICE FOR SLEEP APNEA for which International Application No. PCT/FR00/00334 was filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty on February 10, 2000; and

WHEREAS, Assignors believe themselves to be the original, first and joint inventors of the invention disclosed and claimed in said application for Letters Patent; and

WHEREAS, Assignee desires to acquire by formal, recordable assignment the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and any Letters Patent that may be granted for said invention in the United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignors hereby sell, assign and transfer to Assignee, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, and any Letters Patent that may be granted for said invention in the United States, including the right to file applications directly in the name of the Assignee and to claim for any such applications any priority rights to which such applications are entitled under international conventions, treaties or otherwise.

Further, Assignors agree that, upon request and without further compensation, but at no expense to Assignors, they and their legal representative(s) and assigns will do all lawful acts, including the execution of papers and the giving of testimony, that may be necessary or desirable for obtaining, sustaining, reissuing or enforcing Letters Patent in the United States for said invention, and for perfecting, recording or maintaining the title of Assignee, its successors and assigns, to said invention, said application, and any Letters Patent granted for said invention in the United States.

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others any rights inconsistent with the rights granted herein.

Assignors authorize and request the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to issue any Letters Patent granted for said invention, or on any subsequently filed division, continuation, continuation-in-part or reissue application, to Assignee, its successors and assigns, as the assignee of the entire interest in said invention.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Assignors have executed this Assignment on the date written hereinbelow.

Assignor:

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