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ASSIGNMENT OF UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATIONS

WHEREAS RWE-DEA Aktiengesellschaft für Mineraloel und Chemie, of Hamburg, Germany, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR," of Überseering 40, 22297 Hamburg, Germany, is the owner of the U.S. Patent Applications attached hereto as Exhibit A;

WHEREAS SASOL Germany GmbH, of Hamburg, Germany, herein referred to as "ASSIGNEE," of Überseering 40, 22297 Hamburg, Germany, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said U.S. Patent Applications;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged by ASSIGNOR, ASSIGNOR has assigned, sold, transferred, and set over and by these presents do assign, sell, transfer, and set over unto said ASSIGNEE the entire right, title, and interest in and to (a) said inventions and worldwide rights therein, (b) said applications, including all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, and substitutions thereof, and (c) all United States and foreign patents which shall issue on said inventions, including all reissues, renewals and extensions thereof, for the United States, its territories, and possessions and all foreign countries, including the right to file applications for Letters Patent on said inventions in any and all foreign countries, the same to be held and enjoyed by said ASSIGNEE, its assigns, and its successors, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by ASSIGNOR had this assignment and sale not been made.

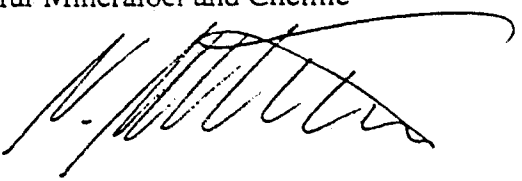
ASSIGNOR covenants and agrees that it will, at any time upon the request and at the expense of said ASSIGNEE, execute and deliver any and all papers and do all lawful acts that may be necessary or desirable, in the opinion of said ASSIGNEE, to enable and assist said ASSIGNEE to (a) obtain Letters Patent, both domestic and foreign, on said invention, (b) establish, maintain, and secure title in said ASSIGNEE, its successors, and assigns to said invention, application, and Letters Patent, including making such title of lawful public record, and (c) defend, establish, or otherwise preserve the validity of said Letters Patent against any and all infringers, and perform such other acts as are necessary to give full force and effect to this assignment.

ASSIGNOR hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents of the United States to issue all Letters Patent based on said application and all said divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues, renewals, and extension to said ASSIGNEE, its successors, and its assigns.

Executed this 21 st day of November 2001.

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ITEM NO. 4: PATENT APPLICATION NUMBERS, CONT'D.

<u>Patent Application No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
09/242,547	07/19/1997
09/269,992	09/27/1997
09/269,989	09/27/1997
09/297,626	10/29/1997
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09/402,601	03/20/1998
09/424,423	05/26/1998
09/485,574	08/07/1998
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09/509,640	09/26/1998
09/529,484	08/05/1999
09/705,226	11/02/2000
09/700,827	05/21/1999
09/701,054	07/01/1999

EXHIBIT A

<u>U.S.S.N.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Title</u>
09/288,632	04/09/1999	Amphiphilic compounds with at least two hydrophilic and at least two hydrophobic groups based on di-, oligo- or polyol- ethers
08/817,930	09/15/1995	Amphiphilic compounds with at least two hydrophilic and at least two hydrophobic groups based on amides
08/875,528	01/30/1996	Process for producing hydrotalcites and the metal oxides thereof
09/091,857	12/19/1996	Process for Preparation of High-Purity Magnesium Hydroxide and Magnesium Oxide from Magnesium Alkoxides
09/242,547	07/19/1997	Amphiphilic Compounds with at Least Two Hydrophilic and at Least Two Hydrophobic Groups Based on Dicarboxylic Acid Diamides
09/269,992	09/27/1997	Method for Producing Dispersible Aluminum-Silicates
09/269,989	09/27/1997	Method for Producing Dispersible Aluminum-Silicates
09/297,626	10/29/1997	Device for Bringing Solid Bodies in the form of pourable pieces into contact with liquids and possibly gases
09/403,474	03/20/1998	Single-Stage Method of Producing Alpha-Hydroxy Ethers by Oxidizing C=C-Unsaturated Compounds with Hydroperoxides
09/402,601	03/20/1998	Amphiphilic Compounds With at Least Two Hydrophilic and at Least Two Hydrophobic Groups on a Di-Oligo- or Polyene Base
09/424,423	05/26/1998	Agents for Unsticking Paint, and Sedimentation Agents
09/485,574	08/07/1998	Method for Producing Metal-Free Guerbet Alcohols

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09/486,526	08/07/1998	Esters of Aromatic Polycarboxylic Acids with 2-Alkylalkan-1-OLS
09/485,962	07/15/1998	Amphiphile Polymers Based on Polyester with Condensed Acetal Groups Which are Liquid at Room Temperature and Are Used in Detergents and Cleaning Agents
09/509,400	09/25/1998	Aluminum Acetoacetate Compounds, The Production and Use Thereof as Printing Ink Additives
09/509,640	09/26/1998	Method for Producing Aldehydes and Carboxylic Acids by Oxidizing Primary Alcohols
09/529,484	08/05/1999	Boehmitic Aluminas and High Temperature Stable and Highly Porous Aluminum Oxides in a Pure Phase Which are Obtained Therefrom
09/705,226	11/02/2000	Method for Cleaning Surfaces
09/700,827	05/21/1999	Method for the Catalytic Hydroformulation of Olefins in a Microemulsion
09/701,054	7/1/1999	Dealuminized catalyst support, method for producing said catalyst support and method for hydrating C ₂ - or C ₃ - Olefins with water in the presence of a catalyst consisting of this catalyst support impregnated with acid