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**ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION, PRIORITY RIGHTS
AND RIGHTS TO APPLY FOR PATENTS**

I, the undersigned,

| <u>NAME</u> | <u>RESIDING AT</u> | <u>OCCUPATION</u> | <u>CITIZENSHIP</u> |
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| Henry Edward Howard | 2020 Stony Point Road Grand Island, NY 14072 | Engineer | USA |

believing that I am the original, first and true inventor of an invention for:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SEPARATING AIR

as described and/or claimed in the application for Letters Patent in the United States of America,

Filed on 8/21/2008 (Serial No. 12/195,450, Attorney Docket No. 08-3018).

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is acknowledged and in fulfillment of my pre-existing obligations of assignment;

I DO HEREBY ASSIGN and TRANSFER my entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention and application unto

PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC.

a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, United States of America, its successors and nominees, having an office at 39 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury, Connecticut 06810, United States of America, as the Assignee, without any restrictions, reservations or limitations, the entire right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid application for Letters Patent and all patents which may be granted thereon, and all applications claiming priority thereof including all divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues and extension thereof;

INCLUDING ALL RIGHTS in and to said invention in any country of the world, including, but not limited to, all priority rights derived from the aforesaid application for Letters Patent by virtue of the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and for any and all member countries of the aforesaid International Convention;

AND FURTHER INCLUDING THE SOLE RIGHT to file such applications under the Patent Laws of any country of the world in its name and/or mine, and the sole right to have patents granted on said applications in its name and/or mine to the full end of the term for which said patents may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by me had this assignment not been made, and to enforce said patents with my right to sue in any court of competent jurisdiction and obtain all remedies available, including but not limited to injunctions and to recover lost profits or compensatory and enhanced damages and attorneys fee for any and all infringements thereof;

AND I authorize insertion of the appropriate identification information above and agree that I will communicate to said PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC. or its representatives any facts known to me respecting said invention and testify in legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, continuation-in-part, extensions and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid said PRAXAIR TECHNOLOGY, INC., its successors, assigns, or nominees, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries.

SIGNED AND SEALED AT Tonawanda this 18th day of August, 2008.

Henry Edward Howard
HENRY EDWARD HOWARD

State of New York)
County of Erie) ss:

This 18th day of August, 2008, before me personally came the above-named **Henry Edward Howard** to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who has acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

PENNY R. TURRELL
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Niagara County, No. 4842627
My Commission Expires March 30, 2010