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US PATENT ASSIGNMENT

This assignment is made the 29 day of September 2008 between:

Schlumberger Technology Corporation of 300 Schlumberger Drive, Sugar Land, Texas 77478, United States of America (hereinafter assignor) and

M-I L.L.C., of 5950 North Course Drive, Houston, TX 77072-1626, United States of America (hereinafter assignee)

WHEREAS United States Patent 5972848 was granted on a continuation application from United States patent application Ser. No. 18/122,540, filed Oct. 14, 1993 and was granted jointly to assignor and Institut Français du Pétrole

And whereas United States Patents 5677266, 5728653 and 5759962 were granted on divisional applications based on United States patent application Ser. No. 18/122,540 and were granted to Institut Français du Pétrole alone or jointly with assignor

And whereas Institut Français du Pétrole has now, by an assignment dated 30th May 2008 assigned to assignor all its rights in the said United States Patents 5972848, 5677266, 5728653 and 5759962 and in the invention set forth therein

And whereas assignor now desires to transfer the whole invention and patents to assignee

NOW in consideration of \$1.00, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, assignor, the said **Schlumberger Technology Corporation**, does hereby sell and assign to assignee, the said **M-I L.L.C.**, all right, title and interest within the United States of America in and to invention entitled "Method for Inhibiting Reactive Argillaceous Formations, and use thereof in a Drilling Fluid" set forth in United States Patents **5972848**, **5677266**, **5728653** and **5759962** and all rights in and to said United States Patents 5972848, 5677266, 5728653 and 5759962 together with any and all divisionals, continuations, reissues, or extensions thereof to

be held and enjoyed by assignee, the said M I L.L.C., its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by assignor if this assignment and sale had not been made.

SIGNED, for and on behalf of the said **Schlumberger Technology Corporation** this 29 day of September 2008

By *F. Maestroni*
(Signature)

F. MAESTRONI
(print name)

VICE PRESIDENT
(title/official capacity)

in the presence of: *Brenda Russ*
(witness signature)

BRENDA RUSS
(print witness name)