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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Carl Steven Nichols, a U.S. citizen, residing at Waxhaw, North Carolina (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNOR"), am the sole inventor of certain new and useful improvements (hereinafter collectively referred to as "INVENTION") in *Titanium-Nitride Catalyzed Polyester*, for which a provisional application for a United States patent was filed on June 6, 2008, under Serial No. 61/059,533 (hereinafter referred to as "PROVISIONAL APPLICATION"), and for which a non-provisional application for a United States patent was filed on June 5, 2009, under Serial No. 12/479,354, (hereinafter referred to as "NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION"); and

WHEREAS, Wellman, Inc., a Delaware corporation (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), having a principal place of business at 3303 Port & Harbor Drive, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, has acquired the equitable right, title, and interest—and is desirous of acquiring any remaining right, title, and interest—in and to said INVENTION as described in said PROVISIONAL APPLICATION and said NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION, and in and to any and all Letters Patent that shall be granted with respect to said INVENTION in the United States of America and all other countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the ASSIGNOR, have sold, assigned, transferred, and conveyed unto said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, my equitable right, title, and interest—and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and convey unto said ASSIGNEE, its successors and

assigns any remaining right, title, and interest—in and to said INVENTION, in and to said PROVISIONAL APPLICATION, in and to said NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION, (and in and to any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, or divisions thereof), and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America and all other countries (or reissues, reexaminations, or extensions thereof) that may be granted therefore or thereon, for the full term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, together with the right to claim the priority of said PROVISIONAL APPLICATION and said NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION in all foreign countries in accordance with international treaties and conventions, the same to be held and enjoyed by said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me if an assignment and sale had not been made.

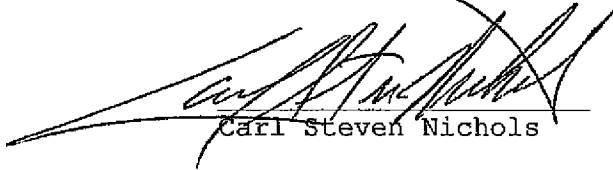
I acknowledge that at the time said INVENTION was made, said INVENTION was owned by or subject to an obligation of assignment to said ASSIGNEE. I further acknowledge that said ASSIGNEE has the sole right to determine patent prosecution strategies with respect to said INVENTION and all corresponding applications, and hereby request that Letters Patent be issued in accordance with this assignment.

I further covenant and agree to bind my heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, to communicate promptly to said ASSIGNEE or its representatives any facts known to me relating to said INVENTION, to testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said INVENTION, to execute any additional papers that may be requested to confirm the right of said ASSIGNEE, its representatives, successors or assigns to secure patent or similar protection for said

INVENTION in all countries and to vest in said ASSIGNEE complete title to said INVENTION and Letters Patent, without further compensation, but at the expense of said ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns, and other legal representatives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name on the day and year set forth below.

Executed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August 2009.

  
Carl Steven Nichols

COUNTY OF Harrison

STATE OF Mississippi

Before me personally appeared said Carl Steven Nichols and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August 2009.

  
Notary Public

Bertha Cuevas  
Printed Name

My commission expires: Dec. 20, 2011

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