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City:	Thousand Oaks										
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ASSIGNMENT

For valuable consideration, we, Nestor Apuya, of 5396 Dobson Way, Culver City, CA 90230; Steven Craig Bobzin, of 23957 De Ville Way, Malibu, CA 90265; Jack Okamuro, of 900 N. Stuart St. Apt. 1311 Arlington, VA 22203; and Ke Zhang, of 107 Simca Ln., #9, Wilmington, DE 19805; hereby assign to CERES, INC., a corporation of Delaware, having a place of business at 1535 Rancho Conejo Boulevard, Thousand Oaks, CA 91320-1440, and its successors and assigns (collectively hereinafter called "the Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are subject of an application for United States Patent signed by us, entitled MODULATING LIGNIN IN PLANTS, filed April 23, 2009, and assigned U.S. Serial Number 12/446/929, this assignment including said application, any and all United States and foreign patents, utility models, and design registrations granted for any of said inventions or improvements, and the right to claim priority based on the filing date of said application under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the Patent Cooperation Treaty, the European Patent Convention, and all other treaties of like purposes; and we authorize the Assignee to apply in all countries in our name or in its own name for patents, utility models, design registrations and like rights of exclusion and for inventors' certificates for said inventions and improvements; and we agree for ourselves and our respective heirs, legal representatives and assigns, without further compensation to perform such lawful acts and to sign such further applications, assignments, Preliminary Statements and other lawful documents as the Assignee may reasonably request to effectuate fully this assignment.

DATE: 10-7-2009

Nestor A. Apuya  
NESTOR APUYA

**Acknowledgment**

State of California

County of \_\_\_\_\_ )

On \_\_\_\_\_ before me, \_\_\_\_\_  
(insert name and title of the officer)

*See attached  
CA All-Purpose  
Acknowledgment*

personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_  
who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are  
subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same  
in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument  
the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the  
foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ (Seal)

**CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

State of California

County of Ventura

On Oct. 7, 2009 before me, Holly D. Dungca, Notary Public  
Date Here Insert Name and Title of the Officer

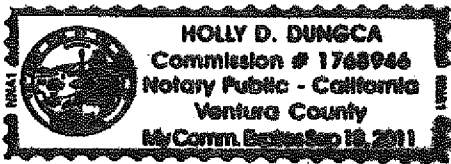
personally appeared Nestor R. Apuya  
Name(s) of Signer(s)

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature Holly D. Dungca  
Signature of Notary Public



Place Notary Seal Above

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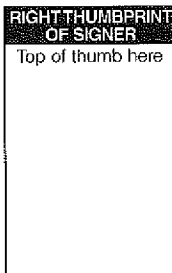
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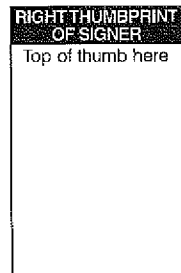
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Signer Is Representing: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: 9/17/09

*Steven Craig Bobzin*  
STEVEN CRAIG BOBZIN

**Acknowledgment**

State of California

County of \_\_\_\_\_ )

On \_\_\_\_\_ before me, *see attached CA all-purpose Acknowledgment*  
(insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_  
who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ (Seal)

**CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

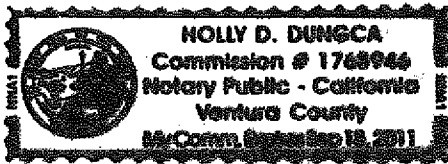
State of California

County of Ventura

On Sept. 17, 2009 before me, Holly D. Dungca, Notary Public  
Date Here Insert Name and Title of the Officer

personally appeared Steven Craig Bobzin  
Name(s) of Signer(s)

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.



Place Notary Seal Above

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal

Signature [Handwritten Signature]  
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Signer Is Representing: \_\_\_\_\_

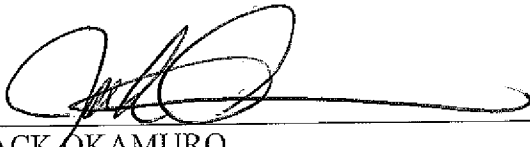
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Signer Is Representing: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: Oct. 17, 2009

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
JACK OKAMURO

### Acknowledgment

State of California

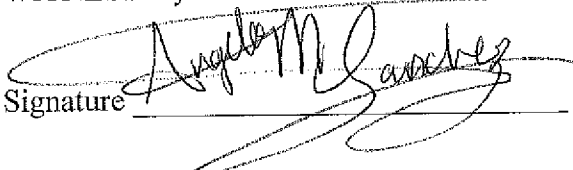
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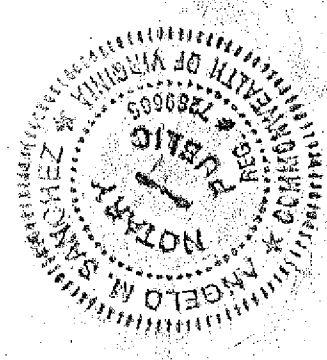
On Oct 17, 2009 before me, Angelo Sanchez Notary,  
(insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared JACK OKAMURO,  
who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are  
subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same  
in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument  
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WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature  (Seal)



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DATE: 27 JUN 2009

*Ke Zhang*  
KE ZHANG

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State of California

County of VENTURA)

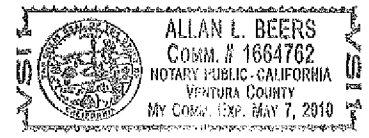
On 27 JUNE 2009 before me, ALLAN L. BEERS NOTARY PUBLIC,  
(insert name and title of the officer)

personally appeared KE ZHANG,  
who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are  
subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same  
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Signature *Allan L. Beers* (Seal)



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