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Whereas ROBERT CHARLES SOUTHARD (ASSIGNOR), whose mailing address is 2700 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 1400, Houston, Texas 77056, desires to assign its above-identified right, title and interest to SOUTHARD DRILLING TECHNOLOGIES, L.P., hereafter referred to as ASSIGNEE. SOUTHARD DRILLING TECHNOLOGIES, L.P. (ASSIGNEE), whose mailing address is 2700 Post Oak Boulevard, Suite 1400, Houston, Texas 77056, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in same.

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