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In consideration of One Dollar and other good and valuable consideration, of which we acknowledge receipt, we, *Michael J. Saylock, 3621 NW 75th Court, Kansas City, MO 64151, and Dan K. Dixon, 5520 Chauveau Drive, St. Louis, MO 63129* do hereby sell and assign to *Nestec S.A.*, ("COMPANY") a Swiss Corporation, its successors and assigns the entire right, title and interest in and to the improvements in **PET FOOD PRODUCT AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURE**, invented by us, as described in the application for the United States Provisional Patent Application filed: *September 18, 2001, Serial No.: 60/322,965 (Atty. Dkt. No.: 7122/US/PSP)* and any and all applications for patent and patents therefor in any and all countries, including all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application, and authorize and request any official whose duty it is to issue patents, to issue any patent on said improvements or resulting therefrom to said COMPANY, or its successors or assigns and agree that on request and without further consideration, but at the expense of said COMPANY, we will communicate to said COMPANY or its representatives or nominees any facts known to us respecting said improvements and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid said COMPANY, its successors, assigns, and nominees to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

April 27, 2004

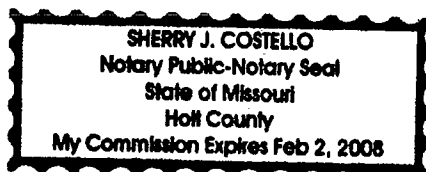


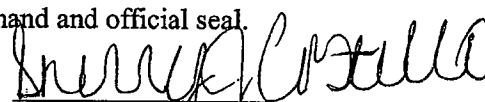
Michael J. Saylock

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On this 27th day of April in the year 2004, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Michael J. Saylock, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained. In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.





Notary Public

May 3, 2004

Dan K. Dixon
Dan K. Dixon

State of Missouri

City (SS)
County of St. Louis

On this 3rd day of May in the year 2004, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Dan K. Dixon, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained. In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

Maureen L. Elbert
Notary Public

