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**ASSIGNMENT**

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, WE, STAN BOWER, a citizen of the United States of America; ELLEN BURKE, a citizen of the United States of America; NANCY E. HARDING, a citizen of the United States of America; YAMINI N. PATEL, a citizen of the United States of America; J. CARRIE SCHNEIDER, a citizen of the United States of America; DAGMAR MEISSNER, a citizen of Germany; NEIL A. MORRISON, a citizen of the United Kingdom; and RALPH BEZANSON, a citizen of the United States of America,

residing, respectively, at

3276 Caminito Eastbluff #101, La Jolla, California 92037;  
 3051 Cowley Way #23, San Diego, California 92117;  
 9038 Ellingham Street, San Diego, California 92129;  
 8070 Los Sabalos Street, San Diego, California 92126;  
 2621 32nd Street, San Diego, California 92104;  
 1661 Beryl Street, San Diego, California 92109;  
 12332 Briardale Way, San Diego, California 92128; and  
 P.O. Box 636, Alpine, California 91903,

hereby sell, assign, transfer and convey unto **CP KELCO U.S., INC.,**

a corporation of Delaware,

having a place of business at 1313 North Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19894-0001;

its successors, assigns and legal representatives (hereinafter called the "Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest, for all countries, in and to certain inventions relating to

**MUTANT BACTERIAL STRAINS OF THE GENUS SPHINGOMONAS DEFICIENT  
 IN PRODUCTION OF POLYHYDROXYBUTYRATE AND A PROCESS OF  
 CLARIFICATION OF SPHINGANS AND COMPOSITIONS THEREOF**

and described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, filed on March 2, 2001 as Application No. 09/798,642; in and to said applications, and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted, thereon, and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all applications for Letters Patent or other grants of protection of proprietary rights including, but not limited to, inventor's certificates, utility models, utility certificates, patents of importation, registrations of patent and industrial design registrations which may be filed, and which may be granted, upon said inventions in any countries or regions foreign to the United States, and all reissues, renewals and extensions thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and all officials of countries or regions foreign to the United States having authority so to do, to issue all such Letters Patent or other grants of protection upon said inventions to the Assignee or to such nominees as it may designate.

AND we authorize and empower the said Assignee or nominees to invoke and claim for any application for such Letters Patent or other grants of protection for said inventions filed by it or them, the benefit of the right of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by a convention which may henceforth be substituted for it, and to invoke and claim such right of priority without further written or oral authorization from us.

AND we hereby consent that a copy of this assignment shall be deemed a full and formal equivalent of any assignment, consent to file or like document which may be required in any country or region for any purpose and more particularly in proof of the right of the said Assignee or nominees to claim the aforesaid benefit of the right of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by any convention which may henceforth be substituted for it.

AND we hereby covenant that we have the full right to convey the entire right, title and interest herein assigned and that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND we hereby covenant and agree that we will communicate to said Assignee or nominees all facts known to us pertaining to said inventions, and testify in all legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and declarations and in general perform all lawful acts necessary or proper to aid said Assignee or nominees in obtaining, maintaining and enforcing all lawful patent or other grants of protection of said inventions in any and all countries and regions.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and seals this 16 day of April, 2001.

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STAN BOWER L.S.

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ELLEN BURKE L.S.

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NANCY E. HARDING L.S.

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YAMINI N. PATEL L.S.

Jane C. Schneider  
J. CARRIE SCHNEIDER L.S.

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DAGMAR MEISSNER L.S.

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NEIL A. MORRISON L.S.

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RALPH BEZANSON L.S.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ) ss.:

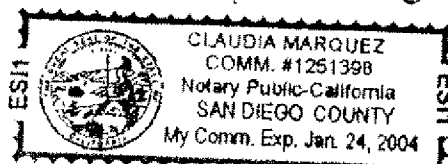
On this 16 day of April, 2001, before me personally appeared J. CARRIE SCHNEIDER, known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and who thereupon acknowledged to me that she executed the same for the purposes therein set forth.

(Seal)

Claudia Marquez  
Notary Public  
(Notary Stamp)

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and seals this 12 day of April, 2001.

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STAN BOWER L.S.

Ellen Burke 4-12-01  
ELLEN BURKE L.S.

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NANCY E. HARDING L.S.

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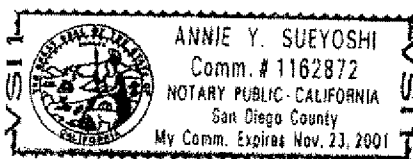
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NEIL A. MORRISON L.S.

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RALPH BEZANSON L.S.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO ) ss.:

On this 12th day of April, 2001, before me personally appeared ELLEN BURKE, known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and who thereupon acknowledged to me that she executed the same for the purposes therein set forth.

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Notary Public  
(Notary Stamp)

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AND we hereby covenant that we have the full right to convey the entire right, title and interest herein assigned and that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND we hereby covenant and agree that we will communicate to said Assignee or nominees all facts known to us pertaining to said inventions, and testify in all legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and declarations and in general perform all lawful acts necessary or proper to aid said Assignee or nominees in obtaining, maintaining and enforcing all lawful patent or other grants of protection of said inventions in any and all countries and regions.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and seals this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2001.

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STAN BOWER L.S.

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ELLEN BURKE L.S.

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NANCY E. HARDING L.S.

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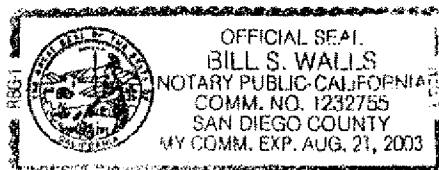
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RALPH BEZANSON L.S.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO )

On this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2001, before me personally appeared DAGMAR MEISSNER, known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and who thereupon acknowledged to me that she executed the same for the purposes therein set forth.

(Seal)



Bill S. Wallis  
Notary Public  
(Notary Stamp)

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AND we hereby covenant that we have the full right to convey the entire right, title and interest herein assigned and that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND we hereby covenant and agree that we will communicate to said Assignee or nominees all facts known to us pertaining to said inventions, and testify in all legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and declarations and in general perform all lawful acts necessary or proper to aid said Assignee or nominees in obtaining, maintaining and enforcing all lawful patent or other grants of protection of said inventions in any and all countries and regions.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and seals this 17th day of April, 2001.

Stan Bower L.S.  
STAN BOWER

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ELLEN BURKE L.S.

Nancy E. Harding L.S.  
NANCY E. HARDING

Yamini N. Patel L.S.  
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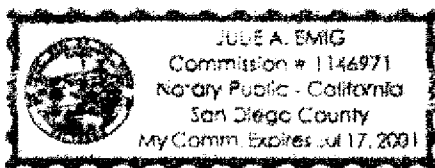
Neil A. Morrison L.S.  
NEIL A. MORRISON

Ralph Bezanson L.S.  
RALPH BEZANSON

STATE OF CALIFORNIA )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO )

On this 17th day of April, 2001, before me personally appeared NANCY E. HARDING, YAMINI N. PATEL, NEIL A. MORRISON and RALPH BEZANSON, known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument and who thereupon acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purposes therein set forth.

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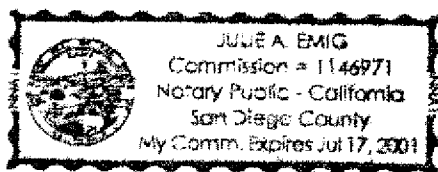


Julie A. Emig  
Notary Public  
(Notary Stamp)

# CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of California  
County of San Diego  
On 4/17/01 before me, Julie A. Emig, Notary Public  
Date Name and Title of Officer (e.g. "Jane Doe, Notary Public")  
personally appeared Stan Bowes  
Name(s) of Signer(s)

☒ personally known to me – OR – ☐ 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.



WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Julie A. Emig  
Signature of Notary Public

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Title(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
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☐ Attorney-in-Fact  
☐ Trustee  
☐ Guardian or Conservator  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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