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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, **ECOLAB INC.** (hereinafter ASSIGNOR), a corporation, with an address of 370 North Wabasha Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55102, is the owner by assignment recorded on March 17, 2010 at Reel 024097, Frame 0056, of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 12/726,179, filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on the 17th day of March, 2010 entitled **COMPOSITIONS INCLUDING HARDNESS IONS AND GLUCONATE AND METHODS EMPLOYING THEM TO REDUCE CORROSION AND ETCH**; and

WHEREAS, **ECOLAB USA INC.** (hereinafter ASSIGNEE), a corporation, with an address of 370 North Wabasha Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55102, is desirous of acquiring all right, title and interest in said patent as an ASSIGNEE from the above-identified ASSIGNOR;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree to the following:

In consideration of the payment by ASSIGNEE to the ASSIGNOR of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), the receipt of which his hereby acknowledged, and for good and other valuable consideration as well, ASSIGNOR hereby assigns to ASSIGNEE and its successors, assigns and legal representatives the entire right, title and interest in and to said U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 12/726,179 filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 17, 2010 the same to be enjoyed by the ASSIGNEE for the remaining life of said patent as though the ASSIGNEE stands completely in the position earlier enjoyed by ASSIGNOR.

ASSIGNOR hereby covenants that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment.

ASSIGNOR further covenants that ASSIGNEE will, upon its request, be provided promptly with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNOR and will testify as to the same in any interference, litigation or proceeding relating thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its legal representatives any and all papers, instruments or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue and enforce said Letters Patent.

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ECOLAB INC.

ANDREW D. SORENSEN
CHIEF PATENT COUNSEL

STATE OF MINNESOTA)

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COUNTY OF DAKOTA)

On this 17th day of Nover his , 2010, before me, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, appeared ANDREW D. SORENSEN, to me personally known to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he execute said instrument as his free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and seal the day and year last above given.

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Notary Public