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## ASSIGNMENT

Whereas I (we) the undersigned inventor(s) have invented certain new and useful improvements as set forth in the patent application entitled:

### METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LIQUID TREATMENT OF WAFER SHAPED ARTICLES

for which a US patent application was filed on September 9, 2011, Appln. No. 13/229,097.

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I (we) the undersigned inventor hereby:

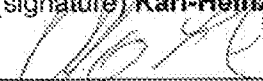
- 1) sell, assign and transfer to Lam Research AG, an Austrian corporation having a place of business at SEZ Strasse 1, A-9500 Villach, Austria, (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), the entire right title and interest in any and all improvements and inventions disclosed in, application based upon, and Patent (including foreign patents) granted upon the information, which is disclosed in the above referenced application, including the right to bring an action for past, present or future infringement of such Patent.
- 2) authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all Letters Patents resulting from said application or any division, continuation, substitute or reissue thereof to the ASSIGNEE.
- 3) agree with any future ASSIGNEE's decision of filing and/or not filing in certain countries as well as to any future ASSIGNEE's decision of prosecution and abandonment of patents and patent application.
- 4) agree to execute all papers and documents and, entirely at the ASSIGNEE's expense, perform any acts, which are reasonably necessary in connection with the prosecution of said application, as well as any derivative and applications thereof, foreign applications based thereon, and/or the enforcement of patents resulting from such applications.
- 5) agree that the terms, covenants and conditions of this assignment shall inure to the benefit of the ASSIGNEE, its successors, assigns and other legal representative, and shall be binding upon the inventor, as well as the inventor's heirs, legal representatives and assigns.
- 6) warrant and represent that I (we) have not entered, and will not enter into any assignment, contract, or understanding that conflicts with this agreement.

Signed on the date indicated beside my signature.

Date 13.9.2011

  
(signature) **Karl-Heinz HOHENWARTER**

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