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DECLARATION (37 C.F.R. 1.63) FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION USING AN APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 C.F.R. 1.76) AND ASSIGNMENT

Title of Invention: **SELF-HEALING CRACK STOP STRUCTURE**

As a below named and undersigned inventor, I hereby declare that:

This declaration is directed to the attached application, or (if following box is checked):

United States application or PCT international application number _____
filed on _____.

The above-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me.

I believe that I am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the application, including the claims.

I am aware of the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR Section 1.56.

Whereas, I have made certain inventions, improvements, and discoveries (herein referred to as the "Invention") disclosed in the above-identified patent application and further identified by the IBM Docket Number provided above in the header of this document;

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