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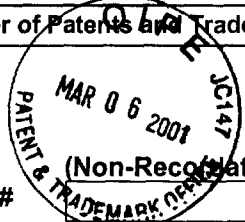
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Name Execution Date
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Name AURIUM RESEARCH CORP 1-24-01

Formerly _____

Individual General Partnership Limited Partnership Corporation Association

Other _____

Citizenship/State of Incorporation/Organization New York

Receiving Party

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Name THE ARGEN CORPORATION

DBA/AKA/TA _____

Composed of _____

Address (line 1) 5855 Oberlin Drive

Address (line 2) _____

Address (line 3) San Diego CA 92121
City State/Country Zip Code

Individual General Partnership Limited Partnership If document to be recorded is an assignment and the receiving party is not domiciled in the United States, an appointment of a domestic representative should be attached. (Designation must be a separate document from Assignment.)

Corporation Association

Other _____

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Trademark Application Number(s)

Registration Number(s)

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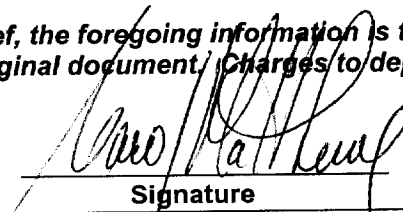
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Carol L. B. Matthews

Name of Person Signing



Signature

5/28/01

Date Signed

NUNC PRO TUNC ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS AURIUM RESEARCH CORP., a New York corporation (hereinafter: "Assignor") was the owner of the trademarks set forth in EXHIBIT A hereto (hereinafter: "Trademarks"); and


WHEREAS on February 19, 1993, Assignor sold, assigned and transferred unto ARGEN PRECIOUS METALS, INC. (now called THE ARGEN CORPORATION), a California corporation, having a place of business at 5855 Oberlin Drive, San Diego, California 92121 (hereinafter: "Assignee"), all of its right, title and interest in and to the Trademarks anywhere in the world, the registrations therefor, and the goodwill of the business symbolized by the Trademarks; and

WHEREAS the parties are now desirous of ratifying and confirming said sale, assignment and transfer of all right, title and interest in and to the Trademarks, the registrations therefor, and the goodwill of the business symbolized by the Trademarks.

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby sells, assigns, transfers and sets over to Assignee, *nunc pro tunc* as of February 19, 1993, all of its right, title and interest in and to the Trademarks anywhere in the world, the registrations therefor, and the goodwill of the business connected with the Trademarks, the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee, its successors and assigns.

This assignment shall be binding upon the parties, their successors and/or assigns, and all others acting by, through, with or under their direction, and all those in privity therewith.

Assignor:
Aurium Research Corp.


By: 
Name: Michel Katz
Title: President

STATE OF NEW YORK)
)
COUNTY OF QNS)

On Jan 24, 2001, before me, Michel Katz

personally appeared Michel Katz, personally 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 acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

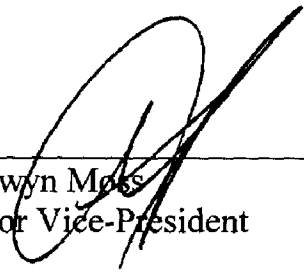
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EMERALD NOTARY SERVICE
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 07001000000
Qualified in Westchester County
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Assignee:
The Argen Corporation

By: _____
Name: Selwyn Moss
Title: Senior Vice-President



STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
)
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO)

On _____, before me, _____,
personally appeared Selwyn Moss, personally known to me, and acknowledged to me
that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the
instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the
instrument.

WITNESS by hand and official seal.

(Signature of Notary)

CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

State of California

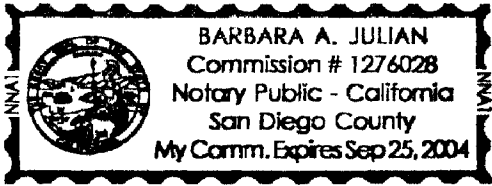
County of San Diego } ss.

On February 14, 2001 before me, Barbara A. Julian, notary public
Date Name and Title of Officer (e.g., "Jane Doe, Notary Public")

personally appeared Silvyn Moss
Name(s) of Signer(s)

- personally known to me
- 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.



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Barbara A. Julian
Signature of Notary Public

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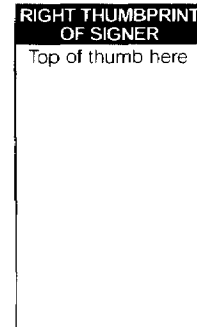


EXHIBIT A

List of Trademarks and Trademark Registrations

<u>Trademark</u>	<u>United States Registration No.</u>	<u>United Kingdom Registration No.</u>	<u>Benelux Registration No.</u>
AURIUM	1,325,383	1458789	496,035
AUROLITE	1,284,050	1458739	498,362
SILFREE	1,301,172	1458656	499,758
SUREFIRE	1,284,049	1458655	498,363