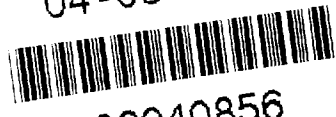


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Individual(s) Association General Partnership Limited Partnership Corporation-State of Delaware Other
Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies) Name: GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. Internal Address: Street Address: 28601 Chargin Boulevard, Suite 210 City: Cleveland State: OH Zip: 44122
Individual(s) citizenship Association General Partnership Limited Partnership Corporation-State of Ohio Other
If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a domestic representative designation is attached: Yes No (Designations must be a separate document from assignment) Additional name(s) & address(es) attached? Yes No

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Execution Date: November 13, 2001

4. Application number(s) or registration number(s): A. Trademark Application No.(s) B. Trademark Registration No.(s) 632,051, 1,233,170 and 873,680
Additional number(s) attached Yes No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed: Name: Kenneth A. Clark, Esq. Internal Address: Rankin, Hill, Porter & Clark LLP Street Address: 925 Euclid Avenue, Suite 700 City: Cleveland State: Ohio Zip: 44115

6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: 3
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TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

(United States)

THIS ASSIGNMENT, effective as of the 13th day of November, 2001 is made by and between Hercules Incorporated ("Assignor"), a Delaware corporation and having a place of business at Hercules Plaza, Wilmington, Delaware 19894, and GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. ("Assignee"), a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio and having a place of business at 28601 Chagrin Boulevard, Suite 210, Cleveland, Ohio 44122.

WHEREAS, Assignor is the owner of the following United States Trademark Registrations listed on the Schedule attached hereto (the "Trademarks");

WHEREAS, Assignee is interested in acquiring all of Assignor's right, title and interest in the Trademarks, and Assignor is willing to transfer all its right, title and interest in the Trademarks to Assignee;

NOW, THEREFORE, to whom it may concern, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt, adequacy and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby sells, assigns, transfers and conveys to Assignee, its successors and assigns, its entire right, title and interest in and to the Trademarks including the goodwill of the business symbolized by the Trademarks and the respective registrations therefore, to have and to hold the same for the sole exclusive use and benefit of Assignee, and for the use and benefit of its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor had the sale, assignment and transfer not been made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Assignor has given legal effect to this Assignment through the signature below of its duly authorized representative.

HERCULES INCORPORATED

(Assignor)

By: 

Gary A. Samuels

Title: Chief Counsel, Intellectual Property
Duly Authorized Representative

Date: November 13, 2001

GEO SPECIALTY CHEMICALS, INC.

(Assignee)


By: 

Title: Sr V.P. Elec. Chemicals

Date: February 18, 2002

STATE OF Delaware)
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) SS:
COUNTY OF New Castle)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 13 day of November, 2001 by Gary A. Samuels, as Chief Counsel, Intellectual Property of Hercules Incorporated, a Delaware corporation. This individual is personally known to me.



Notary Public

SANDRA L. FAIRLEY
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF DELAWARE
My Commission Expires April 22, 2002

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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 18th day of February, 2001 by Terry Guikes, as Senior Vice President of GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc., an Ohio corporation. This individual is personally known to me.



Notary Public

KENNETH A. CLARK, Attorney
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF OHIO
My commission has no expiration date
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UNITED STATES TRADEMARK REGISTRATIONS

United States		
Mark	Reg. No.	Reg. Date
DI-CUP	632,051	August 7, 1956
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VUL-CUP	873,680	July 29, 1969