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To the Honorable Commissioner of

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attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies):
NK Lawn & Garden Co.

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Name: **Novartis AG**

Internal Address:

Street Address: **35 Lichtstrasse, CH-4002**

City: **Basel** Country **Switzerland**

- Individual(s)
- Association
- General Partnership
- Limited Partnership
- Corporation-State
- Other

- Individual(s) citizenship
- Association
- General Partnership
- Limited Partnership
- Corporation-State **Switzerland**
- Other

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes No

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

3. Nature of conveyance:

- Assignment
- Merger
- Security Agreement
- Change of Name
- Other

Execution Date: **July 13, 1998**

4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

A. Trademark Application No.(s)

B. Trademark Registration No.(s) **1,486,371**

Additional numbers attached? Yes No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

Name: **Barry A. Solomon**

Internal Address: **Patent and Trademark Department**

6. Total number of applications and registrations involved: **1**

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41)\$ **40.00**

- Enclosed
- Authorized to be charged to deposit account

Street Address:

564 Morris Avenue

8. Deposit account number:

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City: **Summit** State: **NJ** Zip: **07901-1027**

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9. Statement and signature. *To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.*

Barry A. Solomon

Name of Person Signing

Signature

August 4, 1998

Date

Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments, and document: _____

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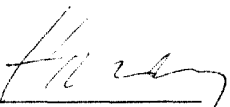
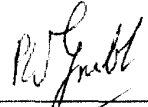
Mark: NK (Stylized)

Reg. No.: 1,486,371

Applicant: Novartis AG

Novartis Corporation, whose postal address is 564 Morris Avenue, Summit, New Jersey 07901-1027, is hereby designated registrant's domestic representative upon whom notice or process in proceedings affecting the mark may be served.

NOVARTIS AG

By  
Name: Dr. W. Haring Dr. P.W. Grubb
Title: Duly Authorized Officers
Date: July 29 , 1998

NOVARTIS CORPORATION
564 Morris Avenue
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TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

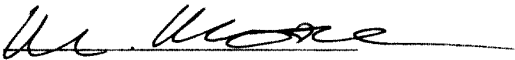
WHEREAS, NK LAWN & GARDEN CO., a Delaware corporation (hereinafter "Assignor"), with an address at 6072 Shallowford Road, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37412 has used the trademark NK and is the owner of the registration therefor, namely Registration No. 1,486,371 issued on April 26, 1988 in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (the "Trademark");

WHEREAS, NOVARTIS AG, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Switzerland (hereinafter "Assignee"), with an address at 35 Lichtstrasse, CH-4002, Basle, Switzerland is desirous of acquiring all right, title and interest in and to said Trademark and the registration therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to agreement and for other good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, NK LAWN & GARDEN CO. does hereby assign, transfer and convey unto NOVARTIS AG all right, title and interest in and to the Trademark together with the goodwill of the business associated with said Trademark, and the registration therefor.

Dated this 13 day of July, 1998.

NK LAWN & GARDEN CO.

By: 
Name: Michael Moore
Title: CEO

