

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURES**APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MOULDING ARTICLES USING HIGH TEMPERATURE SILICA-BASED MATERIAL**

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Apparatus for moulding an article, the apparatus comprising:

- a) a body having a recess;
- b) a mould insert for insertion into the recess, the moulding insert having a moulding cavity of a size and shape for the moulding of the article; and wherein
- 10 c) the moulding insert is of a high temperature silica-based material.

Fig. 1