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(1-6) Insert Name(s) of Inventors (1) Masahiro SUZUKI
 (2) Michio TANI
 (3) Keiichi SATO
 (4)
 (5) and
 (6)
 In consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable considerations paid to each of the undersigned, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned agree(s) to assign, transfer and set over to
 (7) Insert Name of assignee (7) Nippon Soda Co., Ltd.
 (8) Insert Address of Assignee (8) of 2-1 Ohtemachi 2-chome Chiyoda-ku Tokyo Japan
 (9) Insert Legal Entity and State or Country (e.g., a corporation or citizen of Japan) (9) a _____ of _____ (hereinafter designated as the Assignee) the entire right, title and interest for the United States, its territories, dependencies and possessions, in the invention known as
 (10) Insert Identification of Invention, such as Title, Case Number or Foreign Application Number (10) AGRICULTURAL CHEMICAL COMPOSITION WITH IMPROVED RAINDROP RESISTANCE for which the undersigned has (have) executed an application for patent in the United States of America
 (11) Insert Date of Signing of Application, or filing date and Serial No., if known (11) Said application having been executed/filed on Feb. 9, 1998 (and assigned Serial No. 09/011,224)

1) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with this application and any continuing or divisional applications thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.
 2) The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning this application or any continuing or divisional applications thereof and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference.
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 4) The undersigned agree(s) to perform all affirmative acts which may be necessary to obtain a grant of a valid United States patent to the Assignee.
 5) The undersigned hereby authorize(s) and request(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patents of the United States resulting from this application or any continuing or divisional applications thereof to the said Assignee, as Assignee of the entire interest, and hereby covenants that he has (they have) full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that he has (they have) not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.
 6) The undersigned hereby grant(s) the law firm of **Jacobson, Price, Holman & Stern**, 400 Seventh Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004, the power to insert on this assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

In witness whereof, executed by the undersigned on the date(s) opposite the undersigned name(s).
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