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A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, we, Syozo Nishida and Yuichiro Fujiyama
respectively citizens of Japan, with respective
post office addresses of c/o Nippon Oil Co., Ltd., Central Technical
Research Laboratory, 8, Chidori-cho, Naka-ku, Yokohama-shi,
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hereinafter generally referred to as "ASSIGNORS," have invented a
certain new and useful

SEPARATION DEVICE

for which we have executed a United States patent application,
Application No. 09/042,403, filed March 13, 1998, and

ASSIGNORS authorize ASSIGNEE or ASSIGNEE's representative to
insert the Application Number and Filing date of this application
if they are unknown at the time of execution of this Assignment.
Nippon Oil Co., Ltd.

WHEREAS, Petroleum Energy Center, Japanese
corporations having a place of business at 3-12, Nishi-shimbashi, 1-chome,
Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan, and of 3-9, Toranomon 4-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan
hereinafter generally referred to as "ASSIGNEE", is desirous of
acquiring said invention and said patent application.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar
and other good and valuable executed consideration, the full
receipt and sufficiency of all of which are hereby acknowledged
and intending to be legally bound hereby, we, the undersigned
ASSIGNORS, hereby agree to sell, assign, transfer and convey and
by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and convey unto the
above-named ASSIGNEE, the whole and entire right, title and
interest

in and to said invention as described in the above
patent application, for the territory of the United
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