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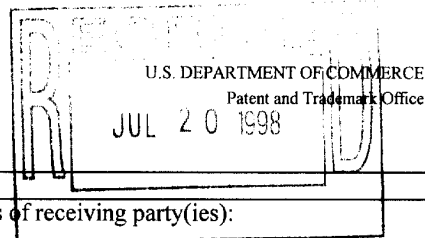
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Date Patent Declaration  
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(herein called "THE UNDERSIGNED") have made an invention and have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States on \_\_\_\_\_ for this invention, which application is entitled ELECTRODE FOR ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERY AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME and which has been given Serial Number 09/076,254 and the filing date of May 11, 1998;

Name of Corporation

AND WHEREAS Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. (herein called "ASSIGNEE"), a corporation organized under the laws of Japan, and having an office and place of business at 1006-banchi, Oaza-Kadoma, Kadoma-shi, Osaka 571-0050, Japan

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