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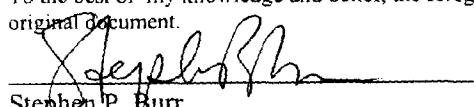
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|                                     | (2) <u>Shinya Iida</u>          | (6) _____ |
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for which the undersigned have executed an application for patent in the United States of America

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March 1, 1999 Shinya Iida

Date Mar. 1, 1999 Signature Yasuhiro Horiike (SEAL)  
Yasuhiro Horiike

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