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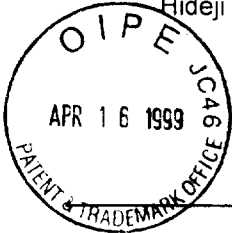
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WHEREAS, I, Hideji Tajima, (Assignor), residing at 1843-1, Yanoguchi, Inagi-shi, Tokyo 206 JAPAN, am the inventor of an invention or improvement in

CONTROL METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING MAGNETIC PARTICLES BY A SAMPLE DISTRIBUTOR

for which I have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, of November 20, 1998; and

WHEREAS, Precision System Science Co., Ltd. (Assignee), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Japan, having its principal office and place of business at 1843-1 Yanoguchi, Inagi-shi, Tokyo 206 Japan, is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application in the United States of America and in any and all countries foreign thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, for One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, I have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention, and the said application, and all divisional, renewal, substitutional, and continuing applications thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States of America which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all applications for Letters Patent which may be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States of America, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States of America, and all extensions, renewals, and reissues thereof, and I hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States of America, and any official of any country or countries foreign to the United States of America, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said invention to the said Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND I HEREBY covenant that I have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that I have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND I HEREBY further covenant and agree that I will communicate to said Assignee its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to me respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all

