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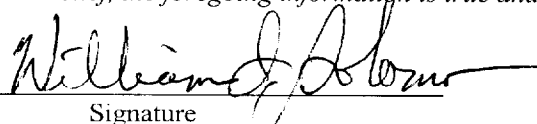
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ASSIGNMENT

IN CONSIDERATION of the sum of One Dollar(\$1.00) or the equivalent thereof, and other good and valuable consideration paid to Yoshito ISHII, Tatsuya NISHIDA, Atsushi FUJITA, and Kazuo YAMADA,

citizens of Japan by HITACHI CHEMICAL COMPANY, LTD., a corporation organized under the laws of Japan, located at 1-1, 2-chome, Nishishinjuku, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan,

receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said Yoshito ISHII, Tatsuya NISHIDA, Atsushi FUJITA, and Kazuo YAMADA,

do hereby sell and assign to said HITACHI CHEMICAL COMPANY, LTD.,

~~their~~ successors and assigns, all our right, title and interest, in and for the United States of America, in and to "GRAPHITE PARTICLES AND LITHIUM SECONDARY BATTERY USING THE SAME AS NEGATIVE ELECTRODE" invented by us and described in the application for United States Letters Patent therefor, executed on even date herewith, and all United States Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, and all divisions, continuations and extentions thereof, the said interest being the entire ownership of the said Letters Patent when granted, to be held and enjoyed by said HITACHI CHEMICAL COMPANY, LTD.,

~~their~~ Successors, assigns or other legal representatives, to the full end of term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us if this assignment and sale had not been made;

And we hereby agree to sign and execute any further documents or instruments which may be necessary, lawful, and proper in the prosecution of said above-named application or in the preparation and prosecution of any continuing, continuation-in-part, substitute, divisional, renewal, reviewed or reissue applications or in any amendment, extention, or interference proceedings, or otherwise to secure the title thereto in said assignee;

And we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to said HITACHI CHEMICAL COMPANY, LTD.

Signed on the dates indicated aside our signatures:

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