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WHEREAS, the undersigned, hereinafter referred as Assignor, has invented new and useful improvements in:

CONTROL FOR MARINE TRANSMISSION

for which Assignor is about to make application for United States Letters Patent; and

WHEREAS, **SANSHIN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA**, doing business as Sanshin Industries Co., Ltd., a corporation of Japan, with its principal office at 1400 Nippashi-cho, Hamamatsu-shi, Shizuoka-ken, Japan, referred to as Assignee, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor by these presents does hereby sell, assign, transfer unto Assignee, its successors in interest, the full and exclusive right in the United States of America to the said invention as described in the specification executed by Assignor of even date preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent of the United States therefor, said application for Letters Patent are granted and any extensions thereof, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by me had this assignment and sale not been made; and Assignor hereby covenants and agrees to execute all instruments or documents required or requested for the making and prosecution of application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, for litigation regarding or for the purpose of protecting title to the said invention or Letters Patent therefor for the benefit of Assignee without further or other compensation than that above set forth; and I hereby request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent showing such interest in Assignee.

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