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(1-4) Insert Name(s) of Inventor(s)

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(5) AMADA METRECS COMPANY, LIMITED

(6) 806, Takamori, Isehara-shi, KANAGAWA 259-1196 JAPAN

(5) Insert Name of Assignee

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for which the undersigned has (have) executed an application for patent in the United States of America

(8) on May 12, 1999

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