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WHEREAS, Hitoshi Horikiri, Hidenori Nitta, Masahiro Murotani, Hiroaki Obata, Kenichi Ishii, Atsushi Hirota

have invented certain new and useful improvements in "CYANAMIDE AQUEOUS SOLUTION"

for which we are about to make application for Letters Patent of the United States of America;

AND WHEREAS, NIPPON CARBIDE KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA of 3-1, Marunouchi 3-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan is desirous of acquiring an interest therein and in the Letters Patent to be obtained therefor from the United States;

NOW THEREFORE, be it known by all whom it may concern, that for and in consideration of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) to us in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we have assigned, sold, and set over, and by these presents do hereby assign, sell, and set over unto the said NIPPON CARBIDE KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said invention, as fully set forth and described in the:

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- (a) specification prepared and executed by us on the 25th day of June, 1999, (b) application filed on the day of 19, Serial No.

preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent therefor; said invention, application and Letters Patent to be held and enjoyed by the said NIPPON CARBIDE KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA for its own use and behoof, and for its legal representatives, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent are granted, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this assignment and sale not been made.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and affix seal at Tokyo, Japan this 25th day of June, A.D. 1999.

Handwritten signatures of Hitoshi Horikiri, Hidenori Nitta, Masahiro Murotani, Hiroaki Obata, Kenichi Ishii, and Atsushi Hirota with printed names and (SEAL) markings.

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