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**ASSIGNMENT
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WHEREAS, TOYOTA JIDOSHA KABUSHIKI KAISHA (hereinafter ASSIGNOR) is the owner of United States Patent No. 5,881,357 to TAKEMOTO et al, issued March 9, 1999, for METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FILLING POWDER.

ASSIGNOR does, for adequate consideration received from KABUSHIKI KAISHA TOYOTA CHUO KENKYUSHO (hereinafter ASSIGNEE) duly organized and existing under the laws of Japan and having its principal office at 41-1, Aza Yokomichi, Oaza Nagakute, Nagakute-cho, Aichi-gun, Aichi-ken, 480-1131 Japan, acknowledge receipt of such consideration and hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, an undivided **one-half** right, title and interest in, to and under said Letters Patent, including, though not in way of limitation, all rights of recovery for past infringement thereof.

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