

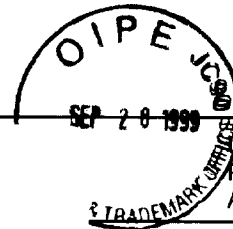
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**PATENT**  
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Uni-Charm Corporation of Ehime, Japan, as assignor, is the current recorded owner of one-half of each of the following United States Letters Patents and the inventions described and claimed therein:

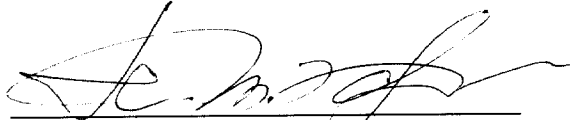
1. U.S. Patent No. 5,664,523 issued September 9, 1997 for Materials for the Treatment of Pet Excretions; and
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,724,915 issued March 10, 1998 for Material for the Treatment of Pet Excretion and Method of Producing the Same Material.

WHEREAS, Uni-Heartous Corporation, a corporation of Japan, whose post office address is FSD Bldg. 5F, 7-20-9, Nishigotanda, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo, Japan, as assignee, is desirous of securing assignor's entire right, title, and interest in and to the Letters Patents;

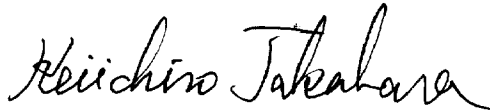
NOW THEREFORE, be it known that, for good and valuable consideration the receipt of which from assignee is hereby acknowledged, assignor has sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, and does hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over unto the assignee, its lawful successors and assigns, its right, title, and interest in and to these Letters Patent and any reissues thereof.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand.

Witness:



Hirohiko Muromachi



Name: Keiichiro Takahara

Title: President & C.E.O.

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Date: August 25, 1999