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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 3.31, enclosed herewith is a document for recordal in this case The following information is provided:

(1) Name Of Party Conveying The Interest:

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Name And Address Of Party Receiving The Interest: (2)

> Eiken Industries Co., Ltd. 1370, Kadoya, Hamaoka-cho Ogasa-gun, Shizuoka-ken **JAPAN**

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| | some reason, Applicant(s) has/have not paid a sufficient fee, please charge our unt No. 08-0750 for any further fees which may be due. A duplicate copy of this enclosed. |
| | Respectfully submitted, |
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ASSIGNMENT BY SOLE INVENTOR

WHEREAS, the undersigned, hereinafter referred to as Assignor, has invented certain new and useful improvements in LIQUID HEATING APPARATUS for which Assignor has made application for U. S. Letters Patent under Serial No. 09/449,364, filed November 24, 1999, and

WHEREAS, EIKEN INDUSTRIES CO., LTD., a Japanese corporation, having a place of business at 1370, Kadoya, Hamaoka-cho, Ogasa-gun, Shizuoka-ken, Japan hereinafter referred to as Assignee, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein:

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Assignor by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto Assignee, its successors in interest, the full and exclusive right in the United States of America, including the right to claim prior ty under the Paris Convention, to the said invention as described in the aforesaid application, said application for Letters Patent and all Letters Patent therefor to be held and enjoyed by Assignee to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent are granted and any extensions thereof, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by Assignor had this assignment and sale not been made; and Assignors 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 on, 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 Assignor hereby requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue said Letters Patent to Assignee.

DATE: <u>February</u> 2, 2000 (Month/Day/Year)

<u>Toshio</u> Furuhashi Toshio Furuhashi

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