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101301441 To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof 2. Name and address of receiving party(ies) Name of Conveying party(ies): Norio NUMAKO Masahiro KAWASAKI ASAHI KOGAKU KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA Internal Address:__ Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ___Yes _X_No Nature of conveyance: Street Address: 36-9, Maenocho 2-chome. Merger _X_ Assignment <u>Itabashi-ku, Tokyo, JAPAN</u> ___ Change of Name ___ Security Agreement ___ Other__ ______ State:_____ ZIP:___ Execution Date: March 13, 2000 Additional name(s) and address(es) attached? ___Yes _X_No 4. Application number(s) or patent number(s): If this document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of the application is: March 13, 2000 B. Patent No.(s) A. Patent Application No.(s) 09/531976 Additional numbers attached: ___Yes _X_No 6. Total number of applications and patents involved: $\underline{1}$ 5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed: Bruce H. Bernstein Name: 7. Total Fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$ 40.00 Internal Address: P18682 _X_ Enclosed Authorized to be charged to deposit account 03/2872000 CHASATAG -00000000E-N955414% BERNSTEIN, P.L.C. 8. Deposit account number: 02 FC:581 19-0089 (Attach duplicate copy of this page if paying ZIP: 20191 State: City: Reston by deposit account) DO NOT USE THIS SPACE 9. Statement and signature. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document. Bruce H. Bernstein, Reg. No. 29,027 Name of Person Signing Total number of pages including cover sheet, attachments and document: $\underline{\mathbf{3}}$

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Norio NUMAKO, a citizen of Japan, whose post office address is c/o ASAHI KOGAKU KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA, 36-9, Maenocho 2-chome, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo, Japan, and Masahiro KAWASAKI, a citizen of Japan, whose post office address is c/o ASAHI KOGAKU KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA, 36-9, Maenocho 2-chome, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo, Japan, hereinafter referred to as the ASSIGNORS, have invented a certain improvement relating to

EXTERNAL FLASH CONTROL SYSTEM

(title of invention)

for which they have, on the respective dates indicated below, jointly executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States to be filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

AND WHEREAS, ASAHI KOGAKU KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Japan, whose post office address is 36-9, Maenocho 2-chome, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo, Japan, hereinafter known as the ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest for the United States in and to said invention and application, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, including any and all renewals, reissues, and prolongations thereof.

NOW, THIS WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, said ASSIGNORS hereby assign, sell and transfer to said ASSIGNEE, its assigns and legal representatives, the entire and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention and application, for the United States including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, said ASSIGNEE and its assigns and legal representatives to have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said invention and application, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, including any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof, with all the rights, powers, privileges, and advantages in any ways arising from or pertaining thereto, for and during the term or terms of any and all such Letters Patent when granted, including any and all renewals, reissues, and prolongations thereof, for the use and benefit

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PATENT REEL: 010636 FRAME: 0537 of said ASSIGNEE and its assigns and legal representatives in as ample and beneficial a manner to all intents and purposes as the said ASSIGNORS might or could have held and enjoyed the same, if this assignment had not been made.

AND said ASSIGNORS hereby agree to execute all papers necessary to file applications in the United States for said invention and to assign the same to said ASSIGNEE, or any assignee acquiring title to said invention, and to execute any other papers that may be needed in connection with filing said application and securing Letters Patent thereon.

AND said ASSIGNORS authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue Letters Patent on said application, and on any and all divisions and continuations thereof, to said ASSIGNEE, its assigns and legal representatives, in accordance herewith.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, this assignment is executed by said ASSIGNORS, on the respective date(s) indicated below.

Witnessed by:

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