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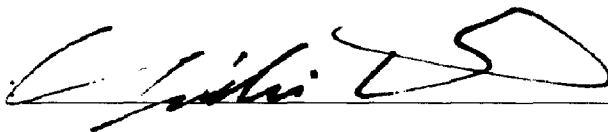
WHEREAS, STRAWBERRY CORPORATION, a corporation of Japan and having an address of 4/F., Daiichi-seimei Bldg., 13-5, Wakita Honcho, Kawagoe-shi, Saitama-ken 350-1123 Japan, hereinafter referred to as "Assignee," is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in said Patent;

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