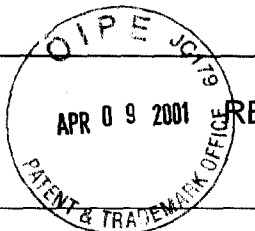


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- In consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations paid to each of the undersigned, the undersigned agree(s) to assign, and hereby does assign, transfer and set over to
- (9) *Insert name of Assignee* (9) MORITA CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES CO., LTD.
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