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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Yasuhiko BITO, Toshitada SATO and Yoshiaki NITTA,
respectively citizens of Japan, with respective post office addresses of 3-21-19,
Satsukinohigashi, Miharacho, Minamikawachi-gun, Osaka 587-0032 Japan; Shoko-ryo, 25-3,
Midochō, Kadoma-shi, Osaka 571-0064 Japan and 1-53-6, Nishifunahashi, Hirakata-shi,
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hereinafter generally referred to as "ASSIGNORS," have invented a certain new and useful
Non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery
for which we have executed a United States patent application, Application No. 09/798,846
filed March 1, 2001, and

ASSIGNORS authorize ASSIGNEE or ASSIGNEE's representative to insert the
Application Number and Filing date of this application if they are unknown at the time of
execution of this Assignment.

WHEREAS, Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., a Japanese corporation having
a place of business at 1006, Oaza-Kadoma, Kadoma-shi, Osaka 571-8501 Japan, hereinafter
generally referred to as "ASSIGNEE", is desirous of acquiring said invention and said patent
application.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar and other good and
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acknowledged and intending to be legally bound hereby, we, the undersigned ASSIGNORS,
hereby agree to sell, assign, transfer and convey and by these presents do sell, assign,
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interest

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March 13, 2001
(Date)

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