
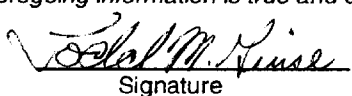


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ASSIGNMENT

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hereinafter referred to as the Assignor(s), have invented certain new and useful improvements in PRODUCT PROCESSING APPARATUS AND CONTROL SYSTEM

for which the Assignor(s) have executed an Application for United States Letters Patent on even date herewith, AND WHEREAS, ISHIDA CO., LTD. having its principal place

of business at 44, Sanno-cho, Shogoin, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto-shi, Kyoto 606-8392, Japan

(hereinafter referred to as the Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention and said Application and in and to any Letters Patent or Patents,

United States or foreign as indicated below, to be obtained therefor and thereon:

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is herewith acknowledged, the Assignor(s) sell, assign, and transfer, unto the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in the United States of America, and in all foreign countries including, but not limited to, the following countries,

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned Assignor(s) have affixed their signatures.

This 17th day of May, 2001 Signature Katsuaki Kono

This 17th day of May, 2001 Signature Takafumi Ohtani

This 17th day of May, 2001 Signature Akira Ishino

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