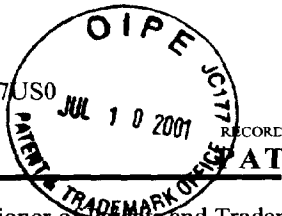


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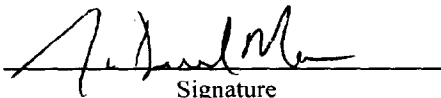
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_____, respectively,

have invented certain new and useful improvements in: TONER AND TWO-COMPONENT DEVELOPER, CONTAINER THEREFOR, AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS,

for which an application for Letters Patent was executed on April 23, 2001

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