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_____, respectively,
have invented certain new and useful improvements in: A METHOD FOR INCREASING STRESS-RESISTANCE TO A PLANT

for which an application for Letters Patent was executed on July 16, 2001
(Application No. 09/810,506 _____, filed March 19, 2001 _____), and

WHEREAS, AJINOMOTO CO., INC. and RIKEN
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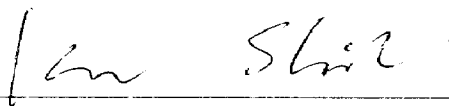
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