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2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

Name: HIRATA CORPORATION

Internal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: 9-20 Togoshi 3-chome  
Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo, JAPAN

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, Tetsunori OTAGURO of c/o HIRATA CORPORATION,  
9-20 Togoshi 3-chome, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo, Japan, have invented certain  
improvements in "FOUP OPENER" set forth in an application for Letters Patent  
of the United States; and

WHEREAS, HIRATA CORPORATION, 9-20 Togoshi 3-chome,  
Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo, Japan, is desirous of acquiring an interest therein;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar  
(\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby  
acknowledged, I, Tetsunori OTAGURO by these presents do sell, assign and  
transfer unto said HIRATA CORPORATION, its successors, legal representatives,  
heirs and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title and interest in the United  
States of America said application executed on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of OCT, 2001,  
(and I hereby authorize our attorneys, authorized to prosecute said application,  
to here insert the filing date and serial number of said application, when known:  
Serial No. 09/\_\_\_\_\_ Filed \_\_\_\_\_) to all Letters Patents in  
the United States which may be granted on said application, to all divisions,  
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extensions of said Letters Patent, all applications for Letters Patent and all Letters  
Patent therefor, to be held and enjoyed by HIRATA CORPORATION for its use  
and behoof and for its legal representatives, successors, heirs, and assigns, to the  
full end of the term for which said Letters Patent are granted and any extensions

thereof, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by me had this assignment and sale not been made; and for the same consideration, I hereby covenant and agree that, at the time of execution and delivery of this instrument, I hold good and full right and lawful authority to sell and convey the application for Letters Patent above mentioned in the manner herein set forth; and for the same consideration I hereby covenant and agree that I will, whenever counsel of HIRATA CORPORATION or the counsel of its successors, legal representatives, heirs or assigns, shall advise that any proceeding in connection with said application for Letters Patent, or any proceeding in connection with Letters Patent in the United States, including interference proceedings, is lawful and desirable, or that any division, continuation or continuation-in-part of any application for Letters Patent, or any reissue or extension of any Letters Patent to be obtained thereon, is lawful and desirable, sign all papers and documents, take all lawful oaths, and do all acts necessary or required to be done for the procurement, maintenance, enforcement and defense of said Letters Patent, without charge to me, my successors, legal representatives, heirs and assigns, but at the cost and expense of HIRATA CORPORATION, its successors, legal representatives, heirs and assigns; and I hereby request the Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to HIRATA CORPORATION as assignee thereof.

T. Otaguro 15/10/2001  
Tetsunori OTAGURO date