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residing at respectively c/o Obara Corporation  
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have invented certain new and useful improvements in

WELDING SYSTEM

for which an application for Unites States Letters Patent was signed on even date.

WHEREAS, Obara Corporation

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands.


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