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for which an application for Letters Patent was executed on April 25, 2002 (Application No. _____
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WHEREAS, Kabushiki Kaisha Kobe Seiko Sho (Kobe Steel, Ltd.) having a place of business at: 10-26, Wakinohama-cho 2-chome, Chuo-ku, Kobe-shi, Hyogo 651-8585 Japan (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE") is/are desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefore in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries;

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