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 A) Sho Sato  
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ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of One Dollar and other good and valuable consideration, of which we acknowledge receipt, Sho Sato of 2-27-3, Nishikawadaminami, Utsunomiya-shi, Tochigi-ken, 321-0155 sell and assign to General Electric Company, a New York Corporation, its successors and assigns the entire right, title and interest in and to the improvements in PIPING MATERIAL invented by me, as described in the application for United States Patent executed concurrently herewith, which claims priority to **Japanese Patent Application Serial No. HEI 2001-385933 filed on December 19, 2001** as described in the application for United States Patent executed concurrently herewith, and any and all applications for patent and patents therefor in any and all countries, including all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application, and authorize and request any official whose duty it is to issue patents, to issue any patent on said improvements or resulting therefrom to said General Electric Company, or its successors or assigns and agree that on request and without further consideration, but at the expense of said Company, we will communicate to said Company or its representatives or nominees any facts known to us respecting said improvements and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid said Company, its successors, assigns, and nominees to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

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Date: Dec. 5 2002

Sho Sato

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Signature

Mitsumasa Sato  
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Date:

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Kikuji Fujiwara  
Signature

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