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ASSIGNMENT (more than one inventor)

WHEREAS, Masahiko Konno and Kozo Inoue

hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNORS, have invented and are the owners of an invention entitled

SLIDING CONTACT GUIDE FOR TRANSMISSION DEVICE, said invention being fully set forth and described in the application for United States Letters Patent which is being executed concurrently herewith;

WHEREAS, Tsubakimoto Chain Co., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of Japan, and engaged in business at Twin21 MID Tower, 36Fl., 1-61, Shiromi 2-chome, Chuo-ku, Osaka, Japan, hereinafter referred to as ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the invention and any and all applications for Letters Patent and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and foreign countries which may be issued therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS IS TO WITNESS that in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) paid to ASSIGNORS by ASSIGNEE, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration, ASSIGNORS have sold, assigned and set over, and hereby do sell, assign and set over, unto ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest for, to and within the United States and all foreign countries, in and to the aforesaid invention and in and to any and all applications for Letters Patent and Letters Patent which may be issued therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

And ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent of the United States to ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, as the owner of all right, title and interest therein.

And for said consideration, it is hereby covenanted and agreed that at the request and expense of ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, ASSIGNORS will execute any further papers and do such other acts and things as may be necessary and proper to procure Letters Patent for said invention in the United States and in such foreign countries as ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns may elect, and vest the full title thereto in ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns.

And ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and direct their attorneys, Howson & Howson, to identify in this document the serial number and filing date of the aforesaid application for United States Letters Patent when the same shall have been made known to them by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this assignment has been executed by us on the dates accompanying our signatures.

Masahiko Honno
Signature

January 14, 2003
(Date)

Koyo Inoue
Signature

January 14, 2003
(Date)

Signature

(Date)

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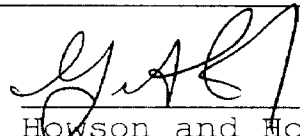
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