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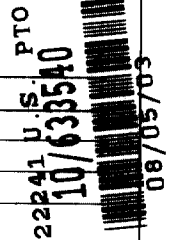
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**ASSIGNMENT OF U.S. PATENT APPLICATION**

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In consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable considerations paid to each of the undersigned, the undersigned agree(s) to assign, and hereby does assign, transfer and set over to

(Assignee) DENSO CORPORATION a corporation of Japan  
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(Title) (hereinafter designated as the Assignee) the undersigned's entire right, title and interest for the United States, its territories, dependencies and possessions in the invention, and all applications for patent and any Letters Patent which may be granted therefore, known as APPARATUS FOR DETECTING DETERIORATION OF AIR-FUEL RATIO SENSOR

for which the undersigned has (have) executed on even date herewith an application for patent in the United States of America or, if not on even date, then has executed on \_\_\_\_\_ or has already filed U.S. application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_.

The undersigned acknowledges an obligation of assignment of this invention to said assignee at the time the invention was made.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers and documents necessary in connection with the application or any interference which may be declared and any continuing or divisional applications thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient and further to perform any act which may be necessary in connection with claims or provisions of the International Convention for Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements.

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