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have invented certain new and useful improvements in
BASIC SILANE COUPLING AGENT ORGANIC CARBOXYLATE COMPOSITION, METHOD FOR PRODUCING
THE SAME, AND EPOXY RESIN COMPOSITION CONTAINING THE SAME
for which an application for United States Letters patent was
signed by us on May 26, 2003.

WHEREAS, (1)NIKKO MATERIALS CO., LTD.

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