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- A new patent application, executed on even date herewith
- Application No. 10/716,473 , filed: November 20, 2003
- Patent No. , filed:

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

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6. Total number of applications and patents involved:

- 1
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Shelly Guest Cermak, 39,571
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Signature

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ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) or equivalent and other good and valuable consideration paid to each of the undersigned, Yoshiya Gunji and Hisashi Yasueda, the undersigned hereby sell(s) and assign(s) to Ajinomoto Co., Inc. (the Assignee) his/her entire right, title and interest

check applicable box(es) for the United States of America (as defined in 35 U.S.C. § 100), and throughout the world

in the invention(s) known as METHOD FOR PRODUCING L-AMINO ACID USING METHYLOTROPH for which application(s) for patent in the United States of America has (have) been executed by the undersigned on (also known as United States Application No. 10/716,473 , filed November 20, 2003), in any and all applications thereon in any and all Letters Patent(s) therefor, and in any and all non-provisional applications, reissues, extensions, renewals, reexaminations, divisions, and continuations of such applications or Letters Patent(s) to the full end of the term or terms for which such Letters patent(s) issue, such entire right, title, and interest to be held and enjoyed by the above-named Assignee the same as they would have been held and enjoyed by the undersigned had this assignment and sale not been made.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with the application(s) and any continuing, divisional, reissue, reexamination or corresponding application(s) thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning the application(s) or any continuation, division, reissue or reexamination thereof and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference.

The undersigned hereby covenant(s) that he has (they have) full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that he has (they have) not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict therewith.

The undersigned hereby grant(s) Shelly Guest Cermak, Registration No. 39,571 of Ajinomoto Corporate Services, LLC, 1120 Connecticut Avenue, Ste. 1010, Washington, D.C. 20036, PTO Customer Number 000038108, power to insert on this assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, executed by the undersigned on the date(s) opposite the undersigned name(s).

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Date: 2/20/04 Signature of Inventor: Hisashi Yasueda

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