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<u>PATENT NUMBER</u>	<u>ISSUE DATE</u>
6,346,038	February 12, 2002
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6,398,906	June 4, 2002
6,242,353	June 5, 2001

WHEREAS, Ebara Corporation of 11-1, Haneda Asahi-cho, Ohta-ku, Tokyo 144-8510, Japan, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Country of Japan (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said Letters Patent;

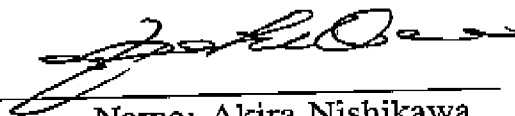
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Mitsubishi Materials Corporation

Date: Jan. 14, 2004

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