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SELL, ASSIGN AND TRANSFER to Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd. (the "Assignee"), having a place of business at 1, Teppo-cho, Sakai-shi, Osaka 590-0905, Japan the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent, Serial No. 09/978,829 filed on October 15, 2001, and is entitled "**SHAFT SEALING APPARATUS**", such application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue and all other applications for patent which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of such improvements; all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and all foreign countries on such improvements; and specifically including the right to file foreign applications under the provisions of any convention or treaty and claim priority based on such application in the United States;

AUTHORIZE AND REQUEST the issuing authority to issue any and all United States and foreign patents granted on such improvements to the Assignee;

WARRANT AND COVENANT that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been or will be made to others by the undersigned, and that the full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned;

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TO BE BINDING on the heirs, assigns, representatives and successors of the undersigned and extend to the successors, assigns and nominees of the Assignee.

(Signature) Masanori Futai  
Name: Masanori Futai

Date: Dec. 27, 2001