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
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In consideration of the premises and other good and valuable consideration in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned,

(1) <u>Hiroyuki KITA</u>	(4) _____
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who have made a certain new and useful invention, hereby sell, assign and transfer unto

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DRIVING METHOD OF PIEZOELECTRIC ACTUATOR, PIEZOELECTRIC ACTUATOR, AND DISK RECORDING AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS USING THE SAME

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SIGNED on the dates indicated aside our signatures:

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