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1. Yuichi Iwase

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hereby sell, assign and transfer unto YKK Corporation, a Japanese corporation, having an office and place of business at 1, Kandaizumi-Cho, Chiyoda-Ku, Tokyo, Japan, the whole right, title and interest in and to a certain invention or improvement in

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DATE: January 26, 2004

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