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## ASSIGNMENT FOR US PATENT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the undersigned inventors, Tatsuki MORI, Kazuyuki SAKAKIBARA and Masaaki FUKUMOTO, c/o Makita Corporation, 11-8 Sumiyoshi-cho 3-chome, Anjo-shi Aichi 446-8502 Japan (hereinafter referred to as "the Assignors"), have invented certain new and useful improvements in "RECHARGEABLE BATTERY DEVICES", for which a US patent application was filed on April 1, 2004 and was assigned serial number 10/816,583; and

WHEREAS, Makita Corporation, a corporation duly organized under and pursuant to the laws of Japan, and having a principal place of business at 11-8 Sumiyoshi-cho 3-chome, Anjo-shi Aichi 446-8502 Japan (hereinafter referred to as "the Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest of the Assignors in and to said improvements, the entire right, title and interest of the Assignors in and to any US patent application(s) based on said improvements, and in and to any Patent(s) of the United States, to be obtained therefor and thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors have sold, assigned, transferred, and set over, do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over, unto the Assignee, its successors, legal representatives, and assign, the entire right, title, and interest of the Assignors in and to the above-mentioned improvements, the entire right, title and interest of the Assignors in and to any US patent applications and any and all Patents of the United States of America that may be granted therefor and thereon, and in and to any and all applications claiming priority to said applications, divisions, continuations, and continuations-in-part of said applications, and reissues and extensions of said Patents, and all rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee, for its own use and behalf and the use and behalf of its successors, legal representatives, and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which Patents may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the Assignors had this sale and assignment not been made;

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