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AND WHEREAS, for a valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, NTT ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION hereby sell, assign and transfer unto YKK CORPORATION, a Japanese corporation, having an office and place of business at No. 1, Kanda Izumi-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan, our share of the right, title and interest in and to the invention or improvement in "HOLLOW CAST ARTICLE WITH SLIT, METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCTION THEREOF" disclosed in the above-identified application and in and to the United States Letters Patent therefor, when issued, together with all improvements thereon and betterments thereof, all related applications including, but not limited to, divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, reissues and reexaminations thereof and substitutions of or for said application, and all rights and privileges under the Letters Patent that may be granted therefor.

We hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States to issue the Letters Patent that may be granted for said invention or improvements to said assignee, YKK CORPORATION, their successors, legal representatives and assigns.

For the same consideration, we hereby agree that we will promptly communicate to the aforesaid assignee or its assigns full and complete information concerning said improvements or betterments of the inventions disclosed in said application, and will cooperate at any time upon request of said assignee or its assigns, at its expense, in the procurement of patent protection to cover the inventions herein assigned and to be assigned, including the execution of new, divisional, continuing and reissue applications; will make all rightful oaths, will testify in any proceedings in the United States Patent Office or in the Courts, and generally will do everything lawfully possible to aid said assignee, its successors, assigns and nominees to obtain, enjoy and enforce proper patent protection for the inventions embraced within the terms of this document.

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