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**ASSIGNMENT**

In consideration of the sum of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars and other good and valuable consideration paid to each of the undersigned, the undersigned agree to assign, and hereby do assign, transfer, and set over unto:

**Kokuyo Co., Ltd.**

having the address:

**1-1, Oimazato Minami 6-chome, Higashinari-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka 537-8686 JAPAN**

(hereinafter designated as the "ASSIGNEE") the entire right, title, and interest for the United States and all foreign countries (including protection in foreign countries via the Patent Cooperation Treaty), in the invention, and all applications for patent and any Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, the application being known by the Title:

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for which the undersigned have executed an application for patent in the United States of America on the same day herewith. Where this instrument is not filed concurrently with the application, the following identifying information may be added after execution:

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1. The undersigned agree to execute all papers necessary in connection with the application and any continuing or divisional applications thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the ASSIGNEE may deem necessary or expedient.

2. The undersigned agree to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning this application or continuation or division thereof and to cooperate with the ASSIGNEE in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference.

3. The undersigned agree to execute all papers and documents and perform any act which may be necessary in connection with claims or provisions of the International Convention for Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements.

4. The undersigned agree to perform all affirmative acts which may be necessary to obtain a grant of a valid United States patent to the ASSIGNEE.

5. The undersigned hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents in the United States and the appropriate national or regional authority in each foreign country to issue any and all Letters Patents resulting from said application or any division or divisions or continuing application thereof to the said ASSIGNEE, as ASSIGNEE of the entire interest, and hereby covenants that they have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that they have not executed and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

6. The undersigned hereby grant the firm of Banner & Witcoff, Ltd. (1001 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001-4597) the power to insert on this assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

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2004.5.25  
Date

Takashi Mitsui  
Takashi MITSUI

2004.5.25  
Date

Hideto Shima  
Hideto SHIMA

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Date

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