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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, the whole right, title and interest in and to a certain invention or improvement in

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disclosed in an application for Letters Patent of the United States, prepared by the firm of Everest Intellectual Property Law Group of Illinois, USA, (said firm is authorized and requested to insert its identification number for said application here and on attached pages:

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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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