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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, TSUKISHIMA KIKAI CO., LTD., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of JAPAN, having an office at 17-15, Tsukuda 2-Chome, Chuo-Ku, Tokyo, JAPAN, is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the following listed Letters Patent(s) in the United States by previous assignment(s);

U.S. Patent No. 5,373,765, issued December 20, 1994; and

U.S. Patent No. 5,378,140, issued January 3, 1995;

WHEREAS, ASANO LABORATORIES CO., LTD., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of JAPAN, having an office at 158-247, Kitayama, Morowa, Togo-cho, Aichi-gun, Aichi-ken, JAPAN, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention(s) described and claimed in said Letters Patent(s);

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) lawful money of the United States and other valuable considerations, to me in hand paid, the receipt of and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, and said TSUKISHIMA KIKAI CO., LTD. has sold, assigned and transferred and does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the said ASANO LABORATORIES CO., LTD., its successors and assigns, its entire undivided right, title and interest in and to the said Letters Patent(s) and the

invention(s) therein contained, including the right to sue for past infringement, to be held and enjoyed by the said ASANO LABORATORIES CO., LTD., its successors and assigns the same as it would have been held and enjoyed by TSUKISHIMA KIKAI CO., LTD., if this assignment and sale had not been made.

TSUKISHIMA KIKAI CO., LTD hereby represents and warrants that there are no rights or interests outstanding inconsistent with the rights and interest granted herein and that TSUKISHIMA KIKAI CO., LTD. will not execute any instrument or grant or transfer any rights or interests inconsistent therewith, and TSUKISHIMA KIKAI CO., LTD. binds itself and its heirs, executors, administrators, employees and legal representatives, as the case may be, to execute and deliver to the said ASANO LABORATORIES CO., LTD., its successors and assigns, any further documents or instruments and do any and all further acts that may be deemed necessary by the said ASANO LABORATORIES CO., LTD., its successors and assigns to file applications for improvements and inventions in any country where it may elect to file such applications, and that may be necessary to vest in the said ASANO LABORATORIES CO., LTD., its successors and assigns, the title herein conveyed, or intended so to be, and to enable such title to be recorded in the United States and foreign countries where such application or applications may be filed.

AND, TSUKISHIMA KIKAI CO., LTD. further covenants and agrees, in consideration of the premises, that it, its executors and administrators will, at any time upon request, communicate to the said ASANO LABORATORIES CO., LTD., its successors and assigns, any

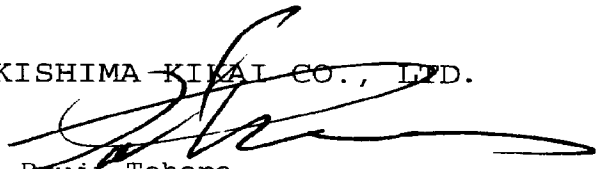
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facts relating to the said invention and improvements and the history thereof, known to it or its successors and assigns, and that it will testify as to the same in any interference or other proceeding when requested to do so by the said ASANO LABORATORIES CO., LTD., its successors and assigns.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, TSUKISHIMA KIKAI CO., LTD. has hereunto set its seal this 14th day of February, 2005.

~~TSUKISHIMA KIKAI CO., LTD.~~


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