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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, **Mamoru USAMI**, a citizen of Japan, whose post office address is c/o TDK Corporation, 1-13-1, Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, 103-8272, Japan, **Junichi IDE**, a citizen of Japan, whose post office address is c/o TDK Corporation, 1-13-1, Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, 103-8272, Japan, **Haruhiko YAMAGUCHI**, a citizen of Japan, whose post office address is c/o TDK Corporation, 1-13-1, Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, 103-8272, Japan, and **Tomoki USHIDA**, a citizen of Japan, whose post office address is c/o TDK Corporation, 1-13-1, Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, 103-8272, Japan, hereinafter referred to as the ASSIGNORS, have invented a certain improvement relating to

Method of Manufacturing an Optical Recording Medium and Optical Recording Medium Manufacturing Apparatus

for which an application for Letters Patent in the United States entered the National Stage in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on March 22, 2005 and was awarded Application No. 10/528,778, and which Application is a National Stage of International Application No. PCT/JP2003/011941, filed September 18, 2003.

AND WHEREAS, **TDK Corporation**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Japan, whose post-office address is 1-13-1, Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, 103-8272, Japan, hereinafter known as the ASSIGNEE, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest for the United States in and to said invention and application, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, including any and all renewals, reissues, and prolongations thereof.

NOW, THIS WITNESSETH that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, said ASSIGNORS hereby assign, sell and transfer to said ASSIGNEE, its assigns and legal representatives, the entire and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention and application, for the United States including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor, said ASSIGNEE and its assigns and legal representatives to have, hold, exercise and enjoy the said invention and application, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted thereon, including any and all renewals, reissues and prolongations thereof, with all the rights, powers, privileges, and advantages in any ways arising from or pertaining thereto, for and during the term or terms of any and all such Letters Patent when granted, including any and all renewals, reissues, and prolongations thereof, for the use and benefit of said ASSIGNEE and its assigns and legal representatives in as ample and beneficial a manner to all intents and purposes as the said ASSIGNORS might or could have held and enjoyed the same, if this assignment had not been made.

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ASSIGNEE, or any assignee acquiring title to said invention, and to execute any other papers that may be needed in connection with filing said application and securing Letters Patent thereon.

AND said ASSIGNORS authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents to issue Letters Patent on said application, and on any and all divisions and continuations thereof, to said ASSIGNEE, its assigns and legal representatives, in accordance herewith.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, this assignment is executed on the date (s) indicated below.

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