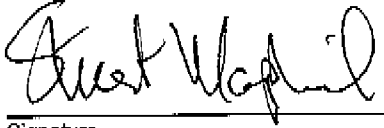


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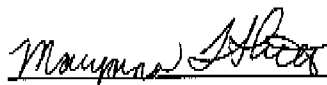
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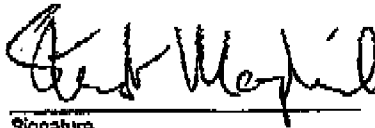
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b), MEIJI DAIRIES CORPORATION, a Japanese corporation having a place of business at 1-2-10, Shinsuma, Koto-ku, TOKYO 136-8908 JAPAN, certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are the subject of U.S. Patent No. 6,383,480 by virtue of (1) an assignment from the inventors of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/214,569 (now issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,383,480) to MEIJI MILK PRODUCTS CO., LTD. recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 010000, Frame 0997, on June 7, 1999; and (2) a subsequent Certificate of Register, recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 015612, Frame 0260, on July 29, 2004, indicating that MEIJI MILK PRODUCTS CO., LTD. is now MEIJI DAIRIES CORPORATION.

MEIJI DAIRIES CORPORATION certifies that it is also the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are the subject of U.S. Patent Application Serial No.10/071,039 by virtue of the above aforementioned assignment of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/214,569, of which U.S. Application Serial No.10/071,039 is a continuation, which assignment was recorded in U.S. Application Serial No.10/071,039 at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 015819, Frame 0273, on March 2, 2005, and by virtue of the aforementioned Certificate of Register.

For valuable consideration, MEIJI DAIRIES CORPORATION hereby now assigns to:

TAKASHI MURAMATSU of  
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and his successors and assigns (collectively hereinafter called "the Assignee"), the entire right, title and interest throughout the world in the inventions and improvements which are the subject of United States Patent No. 6,383,480, and U.S. Application Serial No.10/071,039, filed February 8, 2002, this assignment including said patent, said application, any and all United

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MELJI DAIRIES CORPORATION

Date: August 30, 2005

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