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WHEREAS, ASAHI KASEI KABUSHIKI KAISHA, a Japanese corporation, having its principal place of business at 2-6 Dojimahama 1-chome, Kita-ku, Osaka, Japan, is the owner and assignee of record of the Letters Patent listed below; and

WHEREAS, ASAHI KASEI CHEMICALS CORPORATION, a Japanese corporation, having its principal place of business at 1-2 Yuraku-cho 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, 100-8440 Japan, is desirous of acquiring all share held by ASAHI KASEI KABUSHIKI KAISHA of the right, title and interest in and to said Letters Patent.

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASAHI KASEI KABUSHIKI KAISHA hereby sells, assigns and transfers to ASAHI KASEI CHEMICALS CORPORATION, its successors and assigns, its entire right, title and interest in the below listed Letters Patent::

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