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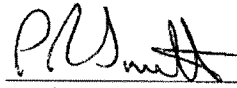
WHEREAS, I, Paul Raymond Smith, of the United Kingdom, have invented a certain invention, entitled SELF-LUBRICATING BEARINGS, for which U.S. Application No. 10/574,408 (Attorney Ref. No. 739-73364-01) was filed on 3/30/2006, which is a U.S. national stage application of PCT Application No. PCT/GB2004/003908, filed September 13, 2004, which claims priority to Great Britain Application No. GB0323095.0, filed October 2, 2003 (all three of which applications are collectively referred to herein as the "patent applications"); and

WHEREAS, Minebea Co. Ltd (Minebea), a Japan corporation, having a place of business at 4107-73 Oaza Miyota, Miyota-Machi, Kitasaku-gun, Nagano 389-0293, Japan, desires to acquire an interest therein:

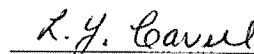
NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, Paul Ramond Smith, hereby sell, assign and transfer to Minebea, the full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to said invention, patent applications and patent rights throughout the world, including foreign patent priority rights, the right to file and prosecute International Applications under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, and the right to file and prosecute applications under the European Patent Convention; said invention, applications and letters patent in this or any foreign country, and all divisions, continuations, reissues and extensions thereof, to be held and enjoyed by Minebea, for its own use and benefit, and for its successors and assigns to the full end of the term for which letters patent may be granted in this or any foreign country, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us had this

assignment and sale not been made, and covenant that I have full right so to do, and agree that I will communicate to Minebea, or its successors and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths, and do everything possible to aid Minebea, its successors and assigns to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said invention in this or any foreign country.

I hereby grant the law firm of Klarquist Sparkman, LLP, the power to insert on this Assignment any further information which may be necessary or desirable (including, but not limited to, the serial number and filing date of the U.S. application) in order to comply with all applicable legal requirements, including the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, for submitting and recording this document.


Paul Raymond Smith

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