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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, **Shintaro KOBAYASHI**, a citizen of Japan, whose post office address is c/o PENTAX Corporation, 36-9, Maenochō 2-chōme, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo, Japan, and **Kazuhiro YUBUTA**, a citizen of Japan, whose post office address is c/o NISSHIN ENGINEERING INC., 14-1, Koami-cho, Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, Japan, 103-8544, hereinafter referred to as the ASSIGNORS, have invented a certain improvement relating to

**METHOD FOR PRODUCING PARTICLES, PARTICLES, AND SINTERED BODY**

for which they have jointly executed an application for Letters Patent for the United States which was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on August 9, 2006 and was awarded Application No. 11/463,337.

AND WHEREAS, **PENTAX Corporation**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Japan, whose post-office address is 36-9, Maenochō 2-chōme, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo, Japan, and **NISSHIN ENGINEERING INC.**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Japan, whose post-office address is 14-1, Koami-cho, Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, Japan, 103-8544, are desirous of becoming joint owners, and are hereinafter known as the ASSIGNEES, are each desirous of acquiring an equal undivided interest in 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 ASSIGNEES, their 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 ASSIGNEES and their 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 ASSIGNEES and their 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.

AND said ASSIGNORS hereby agree to execute all papers necessary to file applications in the United States for said invention and to assign the same to said

ASSIGNEES, 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 ASSIGNEES, their assigns and legal representatives, in accordance herewith.

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

First Witness:

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(Name)

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(Date)

Shintaro Kobayashi Oct. 11. 2006.  
Shintaro KOBAYASHI Date

Second Witness:

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(Name)

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(Date)

First Witness:

Kazuhiko Yubata  
(Name) Oct. 20. 2006

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(Date)

Kazuhiko Yubata Oct. 18. 2006  
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Second Witness:

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