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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, Takeshi Akasaka, a Japanese citizen, residing at 1-1-1, Tennodai, Tsukuba-shi, Ibaraki 305-8577 Japan; Takatsugu Wakahara, a Japanese citizen, residing at 1-1-1, Tennodai, Tsukuba-shi, Ibaraki 305-8577 Japan; and Yutaka Maeda, a Japanese citizen, residing at 7-21-21, Kitakarasuyama, Setagaya-ku, Tokyo 157-0061 Japan, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a METHOD OF CARBON NANOTUBE SEPARATION, DISPERSION LIQUID AND CARBON NANOTUBE OBTAINED BY THE SEPARATION METHOD; PCT Application No. PCT/JP2005/013924, filed in the Japanese Receiving Office on July 29, 2005 for which I have executed an application for Letters Patent in the United States, on even date herewith;

AND WHEREAS, University of Tsukuba (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE"), with its principal place of business at 1-1-1, Tennodai, Tsukuba-shi, Ibaraki 305-8577 Japan, desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements and the said Application:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said inventors, do hereby acknowledge that we have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest throughout the world in, to and under the said improvements, and the said application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions and applications for Letters Patent which may hereafter be filed for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States, and all Letters Patent which may be granted for said improvements in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof; and we hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents on applications as aforesaid, to issue all Letters Patent for said improvements to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEE, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

This 10 day of January 2007. Takeshi Akasaka
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