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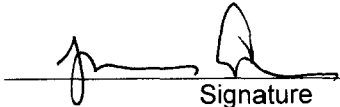
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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE Hiroya Kakimoto, Japanese citizen, residing at Gunma, Japan; Mitsuo Sekiguchi, Japanese citizen, residing at Gunma, Japan and Fuyuki Miyazawa, a Japanese citizen, residing at Gunma, Japan hereinafter referred to as Assignor, have invented certain new and useful improvements in APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING AND REPRODUCING, the specification of which:

■ was filed on December 13, 2006 as Application No. 11/638,199.

AND WHEREAS, Taiyo Yuden Co, Ltd., with its principal place of business at 16-20, Ueno 6-chome, Taito-ku, Tokyo, Japan 110-0005, (hereinafter referred to as Assignee) desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements with respect to the United States of America, its territories and possessions.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby acknowledges that it has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents does hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in the United States of America, and its territories and possessions in, to and under said improvements, and any Patent Applications in the United States of America and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Patents of the United States of America which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions; and Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents of the United States of America to issue all Patents for said improvements to Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND ASSIGNOR HEREBY covenants and agrees that it will communicate to Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to it 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 Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in the United States of America.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor intending to be legally bound has hereunto affixed its signature.

This 5th day of ^{Mar. 5, 2007, H.K.} ~~February~~ March, 2007 Hiroya Kakimoto
Signature of Hiroya Kakimoto

This 5th day of March, 2007 Mitsuo Sekiguchi
Signature of Mitsuo Sekiguchi

This 5th day of March, 2007 Fuyuki Miyazawa
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