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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Kikkoman Corporation, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of Japan, having an office at 250, Noda, Noda-shi, Chiba 278-8601, Japan is the owner by previous assignment, dated April 19, 2002, of an undivided one-half interest in the right, title and interest of Masato Shigematsu, Tohru Shibata, Shoichi Tokutake, Fumio Yamaguchi, Norikazu Fujii, in and to an invention for new and useful improvements in or relating to Element for Tobacco Smoke and Process for Producing the Same for which an application for Letters Patent in the United States was executed on March 15, 2002 and March 22, 2002 and assigned Application Number 10/110,988;

WHEREAS, Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of Japan, having an office at 1, Teppo-cho, Sakai-shi, Osaka 590-8501, Japan is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the said application and the invention therein described and claimed and any Letters Patent that may be issued upon said application or for the improvements therein contained;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) lawful money of the United States and other valuable considerations, to me in hand paid, the receipt of and sufficiency whereof are hereby acknowledged, said Kikkoman Corporation, has sold, assigned and transferred and does hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the said Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd., its successors and assigns, its entire one-half undivided right, title and interest in and to the application and the invention therein contained, including all rights of action and damages for past infringement, and including the right to apply for any Letters Patent in the United States of America and in all foreign countries on said invention and including the right to claim the priority of the date of filing in the United States and any Letters Patent that may issue thereon, or therefore, in the United States and foreign countries and all reissues, extensions, renewals, divisions and continuations thereof, to the full end of the term or terms for which said Letters Patent may be issued, to be held and enjoyed by said Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd., its

successors and assigns the same as it would have been held and enjoyed by Kikkoman Corporation, if this assignment and sale had not been made.

AND, Kikkoman Corporation, hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue all such Letters Patents to said Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd., in accordance with this instrument of assignment.

Kikkoman Corporation, hereby represents and warrants that there are no rights or interests outstanding inconsistent with the rights and interests granted herein and that Kikkoman Corporation will not execute any instrument or grant or transfer any rights or interests inconsistent therewith, and Kikkoman Corporation binds itself and its heirs, executors, administrators, employees and legal representatives, as the case may be, to execute and deliver to said Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd., its successors and assigns, any further documents or instruments and do any and all further acts that may be deemed necessary by said Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd., its successors and assigns to file applications for said invention in any country where it may elect to file such applications, and that may be necessary to vest in said Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd., its successors and assigns, the title herein conveyed, or intended so to be, and to enable such title to be recorded in the United States and foreign countries where such application or applications may be filed.

AND, Kikkoman Corporation, further covenants and agrees, in consideration of the premises, that it, its executors and administrators will, at any time upon request, communicate to said Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd., its successors and assigns, any facts relating to the said invention and improvements and the history thereof, known to it or its successors and assigns, and that it will testify as to the same in any interference or other proceeding when requested to do so by said Daicel Chemical Industries, Ltd., its successors and assigns.

The undersigned hereby grants the law firm of Birch, Stewart, Kolasch & Birch, LLP the power to insert on this Assignment any further identification that may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Kikkoman Corporation, has hereunto set its seal this
13rd day of November, 2006.

Kikkoman Corporation,

By: Toshiaki Ariga
Toshiaki ARIGA

Title: General Manager, Intellectual Property Department

* The signature above is Toshiaki ARIGA,
General Manager, Intellectual Property Department,
who is duly authorized to sign on behalf of
the above-mentioned corporation.