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**ASSIGNMENT BY INVENTOR**

**THIS ASSIGNMENT**, made by Shinya Shimizu (hereinafter referred to as Assignor), residing at c/o Ricoh Company, Ltd., 3-6, Nakamagome 1-chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo, 143-8555, JAPAN;

**WHEREAS**, Assignor has invented certain new and useful improvements in SWITCHING REGULATOR AND CONTROL CIRCUIT AND METHOD USED THEREIN, set forth in a Patent application for Letters Patent of the United States, already filed on September 26, 2007 as U.S. Patent Application No. 11/902,889; and

**WHEREAS**, Ricoh Company, Ltd., a corporation organized under and pursuant to the laws of Japan having its principal place of business at 3-6, Nakamagome 1-chome (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and said Application for Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States to be obtained therefore and thereon.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and sufficient consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents does sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-mentioned inventions and application for Letters Patent, and in and to any and all direct and indirect divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part of said application, and any and all Letters Patent in the United States and all foreign countries which may be granted therefore and thereon, and reissues, reexaminations and extensions of said Letters Patent, and all rights under the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property including all rights of priority, the same to be held and enjoyed by Assignee, for its own use and benefit and the use and benefit of its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to the full end of the term or terms for which Letters Patent may be granted and/or extended, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor, had this sale and assignment not been made.

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**AND** Assignor acknowledges an obligation of assignment of this invention to Assignee at the time the invention was made.

October 24, 2007  
Date

Shinya Shimizu  
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**Witness:**

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