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WHEREAS, I (WE) 1) Hiroshi HANAGATA2) Takayuki NISHIJYO both of:

c/o R & D Department, HIGETA SHOYU Co.,
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, respectively,

INSERT TITLE OF
INVENTION

have invented certain new and useful improvements in: NOVEL BREVIBACILLUS CHOSHINENSIS AND
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING PROTEIN WITH USE OF THE MICROBE AS HOST (as amended)

(Application No. 10/578,781, filed May 9, 2006), and

INSERT NAME
AND ADDRESS OF
COMPANY OR
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WHEREAS, HIGETA SHOYU CO., LTD

(hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE") having a place of business at: 2-3, Nihonbashikoamicho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo
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