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WHEREAS by assignment recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for U.S. Patent Application 11/795,697, which is a national stage entry application based on PCT/JP2005/024001, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology owns partial title and interest in and to U.S. Patent Application 11/795,697, and in and to all applications filed, or that may be filed, claiming priority based on U.S. Patent Application 11/795,697;

WHEREAS, Ebara Corporation and Nikon Corporation are desirous of securing the entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention, the application for United States Letters Patent on this invention and the Letters Patent to issue upon this application;

NOW THEREFORE, be it known that, for and in consideration of good and valuable consideration the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology hereby sell, assign, transfer, and set over in equal share unto Ebara Corporation and Nikon Corporation, their lawful successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and to this invention and this application, and all divisions, and continuations thereof, and all Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted thereon, and all reissues thereof; and further hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States to issue all Letters Patent for this invention to Ebara Corporation and Nikon Corporation, their lawful successors and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this Assignment.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology has caused this ASSIGNMENT AGREEMENT to be duly signed.

BY: National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology

(Company Name)

Yasushi MITSUSHI

(Signature)

Yasushi MITSUSHI

Director Intellectual Property Department

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Date: 6th Feb 2008