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## ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) or equivalent and other good and valuable consideration paid to each of the undersigned, 1) Mayu IYO, 2) Ryo TAKESHITA and 3) Shinichi SUGIMOTO, the undersigned, hereby sell(s) and assign(s) to AJINOMOTO CO., INC. of 15-1, Kyobashi 1-chome, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 104-8315 Japan (the Assignee) his/her entire right, title and interest

check applicable box(es) X for the United States of Americas (as defined in 35 U.S.C. § 100),

and throughout the world

in the invention(s) known as L-AMINO ACID PRODUCING BACTERIUM AND METHOD OF PRODUCING L-AMINO ACID for which application(s) for patent in the United States of America has (have) been executed by the undersigned on

undersigned on September 7 and 11, 2008 (also known as United States Application No. 12/179,988, filed July 25, 2008), in any and all applications thereon in any and all Letters Patent(s) therefor, and in any and all non-provisional applications, reissues, extensions, renewals, reexaminations, divisions, and continuations of such applications or Letters Patent(s) to the full end of the term or terms for which such Letters patent(s) issue, such entire right, title, and interest to be held and enjoyed by the above-named Assignee the same as they would have been held and enjoyed by the undersigned had this assignment and sale not been made.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with the application(s) and any continuing, divisional, reissue, reexamination or corresponding application(s) thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning the application(s) or any continuation, division, reissue or reexamination thereof and to cooperate with the Assignce in every way possible in obtaining evidence and going forward with such interference.

The undersigned hereby covenant(s) that he has (they have) full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that he has (they have) not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict therewith.

The undersigned hereby grant(s) Shelly Guest Cermak, Registration No. 39,571 of Cermak & Kenealy LLP, 515 East Braddock Road, Suite B, Alexandria, VA 22314, PTO Customer Number 000038108, power to insert on this assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, executed by the undersigned on the date(s) opposite the undersigned name(s).

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