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WHEREAS, I (WE) Keitaro SAITO and Tatsuya HATTORI all of

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INSERT TITLE OF
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have invented certain new and useful improvements in: THICKENING AGENT

(Application No. 12/045260, filed March 10, 2008), and

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WHEREAS, Ajinomoto Co., Inc.

(hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE") having a place of business at: 15-1, Kyobashi 1-chome, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 104-8315 Japan is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefore in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of FIVE DOLLARS (\$5.00), the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and for other good and valuable consideration, I (WE), by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said ASSIGNEE, the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, substitutions and renewals thereof.

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