



Attorney Docket No.: 920768/HG

**A S S I G N M E N T**

Whereas Osaka-shi, a Corporation organized under the laws of Japan and having a place of business at 3-20, 1-chome Nakanoshima, Kita-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka, Japan, is a joint owner along with Ensui Sugar Refining Co., Ltd. and Kyoko Koizumi, of the entire right, title and interest in and to U.S. Patent No. 5,356,884 issued October 18, 1994 (referred to hereinafter as the "U.S. Patent"), and the invention described and claimed therein, by virtue of an Assignment recorded on October 8, 1992 at Reel 6201, Frame 0810;

Whereas Osaka Municipal Technical Research Institute (referred to hereinafter as the "Assignee"), a Corporation organized under the laws of Japan and having a place of business at 1-6-50 Morinomiya, Joto-ku, Osaka 536-8553, Japan, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest of Osaka-shi (referred to hereinafter as the "Assignor") in and to said invention and said U.S. Patent and to thereby become a joint owner, along with Ensui Sugar Refining Co., Ltd. and Kyoko Koizumi, of the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and said U.S. Patent, including all reissues and extensions thereof;

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignor hereby sells, transfers and sets over to said Assignee, the Assignor's entire right, title and interest in and to (i) said invention, and (ii) said U.S. Patent and all reissues and extensions thereof, the same to be held and enjoyed by said Assignee, for its own use and enjoyment and the use and enjoyment of its successors, assigns or other legal representatives, to the end of the term for which said U.S. Patent is granted or reissued or extended as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by said Assignor if this Assignment and sale had not been made, whereby the Assignee becomes a joint owner, along with Ensui Sugar Refining Co., Ltd. and Kyoko Koizumi, of the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and said U.S. Patent; and

Assignor hereby agrees that on request, Assignor will communicate to said Assignee or its representatives, successors or assigns all facts known to it respecting said invention and said U.S. Patent and cooperate in any legal proceeding, and generally do everything possible to aid in enforcing proper patent rights in said invention and said U.S. Patent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF Assignor has caused the signature of its proper officer to be subscribed hereto on the date set forth below.

Assignor: Osaka-shi

Date: February 16, 2009

By: J. Royama

Name: Tatsushi D. **PATENT**

RECORDED: 02/23/2009

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Corporate Title: Director General, Economic Affairs Bureau