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In consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) or equivalent and other good and valuable consideration paid to each of the undersigned inventors: _____

Keiji ENDO and Katsutoshi ARA

_____, hereby sell and assign to
Kao Corporation _____, a corporation formed under the laws of Japan _____,
whose mailing address is 14-10, Nihonbashi Kayabacho 1-chome, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, 103-8210 Japan
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right to sue for past infringement and to collect for all past, present and future damages, for
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for which application(s) for patent in the United States of America has a filing
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Application No. 12/528,039, which is the U.S. national phase of
International Application No. PCT/JP2007/001481, International Filing
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the application(s) and any non-provisional, continuing (continuation, divisional, or
continuation-in-part), reissue, reexamination or corresponding application(s) thereof and also

to execute separate assignments in connection with such application(s) as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, executed by the undersigned inventors on the date opposite his/her name.

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