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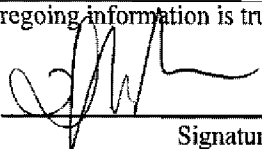
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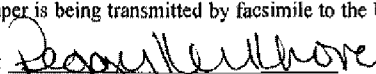
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**ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION**

**WHEREAS,**

1. Yuichiro MORIMITSU residing at c/o Sumitomo Seika Chemicals Co., Ltd., 1, Irifunecho, Shikama-ku, Himeji-shi, Hyogo 672-8076 Japan and a citizen of Japan
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3. Shinji KOBAYASHI residing at c/o Sumitomo Seika Chemicals Co., Ltd., 1, Irifunecho, Shikama-ku, Himeji-shi, Hyogo 672-8076 Japan and a citizen of Japan

(hereinafter called "THE UNDERSIGNED") have made an invention and have executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States for this invention which was filed on \_\_\_\_\_, entitled **METHOD FOR PRODUCING GRANULATED CARBOXYL GROUP-CONTAINING POLYMER PARTICLE AND GRANULATED CARBOXYL GROUP-CONTAINING POLYMER PARTICLE**, and which has been given application serial number \_\_\_\_\_;

and

**WHEREAS** Sumitomo Seika Chemicals Co., Ltd. (hereinafter "ASSIGNEE") a corporation organized under the laws of Japan and having an office and place of business at 346-1, Miyanishi, Harima-cho, Kako-gun, Hyogo 675-0145 wishes to acquire the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and patent application and any Letters Patent to be obtained therefor;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, **THE UNDERSIGNED** hereby sell, assign, and transfer to the **ASSIGNEE**, its successors, legal representative and assigns, the entire right, title and interest for the United States in and to the invention disclosed in said application, and in and to said application, as well as to all divisions, continuations, or renewals thereof, all Letters Patent which may be granted therefrom, and all reissues or extensions of such patents, and **THE UNDERSIGNED** hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States to issue all Letters Patent for said invention to the **ASSIGNEE** of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

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