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WHEREAS, we,

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have invented certain new and useful improvements in

PREPARATION METHOD OF LITHIUM CARBONATE FROM LITHIUM-ION SECONDARY BATTERY RECOVERED MATERIAL

for which we have on August 5, 2010 executed an application for United States Letters Patent; and

WHEREAS, Nippon Mining & Metals Co., Ltd., a Japanese Corporation, located at 10-1, Toranomon 2-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105-0001, Japan,

(hereinafter called the "Assignee"), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and the inventions and improvements therein disclosed so far as the United States of America is concerned.

PATENT REEL: 024861 FRAME: 0024 NOW, THEREFORE, in good and valuable consideration paid to us by said Assignee, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby assign, sell, transfer and set over unto said Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to said application and the inventions and improvements therein disclosed for the United States and any Letters Patent which may issue therefor in the United States and all divisions, re-issues, continuations, renewals and/or extensions thereof, said Assignee to have and to hold the interests herein assigned to the full ends of the terms of said Letters Patent and any and all divisions, re-issues, continuations, renewals and/or extensions thereof, respectively, a fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us had this Assignment not been made.

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is requested to issue such Letters Patent in accordance herewith. We covenant that we are the lawful owners of the said application, and of the right to make, use or sell the inventions and improvements disclosed therein within the United States and that we have the full right to make this Assignment.

And for the consideration aforesaid, we agree that we will communicate to said Assignee or the representatives thereof any facts known to us respecting the inventions and improvements of the said United States application and will, upon request, but without expense to us, testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, re-issue, continuation, renewal and/or extension applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do all other and further lawful acts deemed necessary or expedient by said Assignee or by counsel for said Assignee, to assist or enable said Assignee to obtain and enforce full benefits from the rights and interest herein assigned. This Assignment shall be binding upon our heirs, executors, administrators and/or assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and/or assigns, as the case may be, of said Assignee.

Executed at <u>Ibaraki</u> ,	
this 5th day of August, 2010	
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	Toshiyuki YAMAOKA

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