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UNITED STATES PLUS ALL FOREIGN PATENT RIGHTS**ASSIGNMENT**Application No. 13/586,335 Filed August 15, 2012Insert Name(s)
of Inventor(s) ***** (Given Name FAMILY NAME (ALL CAPS)) *****

WHEREAS, Soichiro NOGUCHI, Shoichi SUZUKI, Masao ARAI, Kaori HAMANO (hereinafter designated as the undersigned) has (have) invented certain new and useful improvements in:

Insert Title
of Invention **FACTOR REGULATING COMPONENT IN PLANT AND USE THEREOF**

for which an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America has been executed by the undersigned (except in the case of a provisional application)

Insert Date
of Signing of
Application On June 18 and June 21, 2012; andInsert Name
of Assignee
Insert Address
of AssigneeWHEREAS, **JAPAN TOBACCO INC.**

of 2-1, Toranomom 2-Chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105-8422, Japan

its heirs, successors, legal representatives and assigns (hereinafter designated as the Assignee) is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent(s) that may be granted therefor in the United States of America and

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IF APPROPRIATE **in any foreign countries.**

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned has (have) sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto said Assignee the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States of America, its territories, dependencies and possessions and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent(s) which may be granted therefor in the United States of America, its territories, dependencies and possessions, and if the box above is designated, in any and all foreign countries; and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, conversions and extensions thereof for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with this application and any continuing, divisional, conversion or reissue applications thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such applications as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with any interference which may be declared concerning this application or continuation, division, conversion or reissue thereof or Letter Patent(s) or reissue patent issued thereon and to cooperate with the Assignee in every way possible in obtaining and producing evidence and proceeding with such interference.

The undersigned agree(s) to execute all papers and documents and to perform any act which may be necessary in connection with claims or provisions of the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property or similar agreements.

The undersigned agree(s) to perform all affirmative acts which may be necessary to obtain a grant of a valid United States of America patent(s) or a grant of a valid United States of America and any foreign patent(s) to the Assignee and to vest all rights therein hereby conveyed to said Assignee as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by the undersigned if this Assignment and sale had not been made.

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The undersigned hereby grant(s) the law firm of Birch, Stewart, Kolasch & Birch, LLP the power to insert on this Assignment any further identification which may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for recordation of this document.

The undersigned hereby covenant(s) that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this assignment.

In witness whereof, executed by the undersigned on the date(s) opposite the undersigned name(s).

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 (signature) Soichiro NOGUCHI

Date June 18, 2012, Name of Inventor Shoichi Suzuki
 (signature) Shoichi SUZUKI

Date June 18, 2012, Name of Inventor Masao Arai
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Date June 21, 2012, Name of Inventor Kaori Hamano
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