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**DECLARATION AND ASSIGNMENT
FOR PATENT AND DESIGN APPLICATIONS**

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Title of Invention ⇒ FUEL TANK

As a below named inventor (hereinafter designated as the undersigned), I hereby declare that:

Application not Attached ⇒ This declaration is directed to the application attached hereto. If the application is not attached hereto, the application is as identified by the attorney docket number as set forth above and/or the following:

Enter Appln. No. ⇒ United States Application Number or PCT International Appln. No. PCT/JP2020/023141

Enter Filing Date ⇒ filed on June 12, 2020

The above-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me.

I believe that I am the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56.

WHEREAS, the undersigned has invented certain new and useful improvements described in the application identified.

Insert Name of Assignee ⇒ WHEREAS, NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION

Insert Address of Assignee ⇒ of 6-1, Marunouchi 2-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8071 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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NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does (do) 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.

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

LEGAL NAME OF INVENTOR

Inventor's Name ⇒ Inventor: Toshinori MIZUGUCHI

Date: December 6, 2021

Inventor's Signature ⇒ Signature: Toshinori Mizuguchi

An application data sheet (PTO/SB/14 or equivalent), including naming the entire inventive entity, must accompany this form. Use a separate form for each inventor; or check the box below and complete the attached page(s) to list additional inventors.

☒ Additional inventors are being named on the 1 supplemental sheet(s) attached hereto.

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Inventor's Signature ⇨ Signature: Masahiro Fuda

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Inventor's Name ⇨ Inventor: Akiyoshi INOUE Date: _____

Inventor's Signature ⇨ Signature: _____

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Inventor's Name ⇨ Inventor: Junji NAKANO Date: December 6, 2021

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This statement is directed to:			
<input type="checkbox"/> The attached application,			
OR			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> United States application or PCT international application number <u>PCT/JP2020/023141</u> filed on <u>June 12, 2020</u>			
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(E.g., Given Name (first and middle (if any)) and Family Name or Surname)			
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I believe the above-named inventor or joint inventor to be the original inventor or an original joint inventor of a claimed invention in the application.			
The above-identified application was made or authorized to be made by me.			
I hereby acknowledge that any willful false statement made in this statement is punishable under 18 U.S.C. 1001 by fine or imprisonment of not more than five (5) years, or both.			
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- ☐ An application data sheet under 37 CFR 1.76 (PTO/AIA/14 or equivalent) has not been submitted. Thus, a Substitute Statement Supplemental Sheet (PTO/AIA/11 or equivalent) naming the entire inventive entity and providing inventor information is attached. See 37 CFR 1.64(b).

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Signature: *Manabu Eto*

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NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION

Applicant Name:

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