

## **PATENTS ACT 1977**

IN THE MATTER OF an application under  
Section 13(1) by Ayumu Taniguchi, Juni-ichi Tanabe,  
Fumio Kunishige and Masao Komai in respect  
of Patent Application No GB 9822128.6 in the name of Toyo Kohan Co., Ltd

### **DECISION**

The application for this patent named three inventors, Keiichi Shimizu, Shinji Shirai and Yasuyuki Ikeda.

Ayumu Taniguchi, Juni-ichi Tanabe, Fumio Kunishige and Masao Komai have now applied to be mentioned as joint inventors in accordance with Section 13(1) of the Act.

Toyo Kohan Co., Ltd, Keiichi Shimizu, Shinji Shirai and Yasuyuki Ikeda have each confirmed in writing that they support Ayumu Taniguchi, Juni-ichi Tanabe, Fumio Kunishige and Masao Komai's request to be named as joint inventors. I therefore conclude that all relevant parties agree that Ayumu Taniguchi, Juni-ichi Tanabe, Fumio Kunishige and Masao Komai were joint inventors.

Accordingly, I direct that Ayumu Taniguchi, Juni-ichi Tanabe, Fumio Kunishige and Masao Komai should be mentioned as joint inventors in any patent granted for the invention. I also direct that, in accordance with Rule 14(5), that an addendum slip mentioning them as joint inventors be prepared for the published application for the patent.

Signed this 27 day of January 2000

**BRENDAN CLEARY**

Acting B3 Head of Litigation Section, acting for the Comptroller

**THE PATENT OFFICE**