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PATENTS ACT 1977

PARTIES	Elizabeth Jane Acosta, Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha, Michael John Towler and Harry Garth Walton
ISSUE	Mention of additional inventor for patent number EP (UK) 0919847 under Section 13(1)
HEARING OFFICER	S M Williams

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**DECISION**

- 1 European Patent (UK) No. 0919847 names two inventors; Michael John Towler and Harry Garth Walton.
- 2 Elizabeth Jane Acosta has now made an application in accordance with section 13(1) of the Act to the effect that she ought also to have been mentioned as a joint inventor in the EP (UK) patent.
- 3 John S Robinson, the patent agent acting on behalf of the patent proprietors Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha and the inventors Michael John Towler and Harry Garth Walton, has confirmed in writing that the patent proprietors and the two currently named inventors consent to the application by Elizabeth Jane Acosta. I therefore conclude that all the relevant parties are in agreement.
- 4 Accordingly I find that Elizabeth Jane Acosta should also be mentioned as a joint inventor in the granted EP (UK) patent and I direct, in accordance with rule 14(5), that an addendum slip mentioning her as a joint inventor be prepared for the granted patent for the invention.

**S M WILLIAMS**

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