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PATENTS ACT 1977

BETWEEN Shiroki Corporation, Takumi Okada, Jiro

Inoue, Toshiya Kaneko and Takeshi Yoshimura

PROCEEDINGS Mention of additional inventors for patent

number GB 2424037 under Section 13(1)

HEARING OFFICER S M Williams

DECISION

- 1 Patents Form 7/77 names one inventor, Takeshi Yoshimura.
- 2 Shiroki Corporation, the patent proprietor, has now made an application in accordance with section 13(1) of the Act to the effect that Takumi Okada, Jiro Inoue and Toshiya Kaneko ought also to have been named as joint inventors.
- In support of the application, a statement and assignment document relating to patent number GB 2424037 have been filed. Section 1(e) of the assignment document states that: "SHIROKI and Yoshimura have agreed that Inventor Okada, Inventor Inoue and Inventor Kaneko should be mentioned in the Patent as co-inventors of the Subject Invention". The assignment has been signed by Shunichiro Ijichi, on behalf of Shiroki Corporation, Takeshi Yoshimura, Takumi Okada, Jiro Inoue and Toshiya Kaneko. I therefore conclude that all the relevant parties agree that Takumi Okada, Jiro Inoue and Toshiya Kaneko should be named as joint inventors.
- Accordingly I find that Takumi Okada, Jiro Inoue and Toshiya Kaneko should be mentioned as joint inventors in the published patent application and granted patent for the invention and I direct, that an addendum slip mentioning them as such be prepared for the published patent application and granted patent.

S M Williams

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