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PATENTS ACT 1977

PARTIES Yuichi Manabe, Toray Industries, Inc.,

Masaru Haruta, Hiroshi Kagao,

Masanori Uemoto and Takenori Furuya

ISSUE Mention of additional inventor for

patent number EP (UK) 1283295

under Section 13(1)

HEARING OFFICER S M Williams

DECISION

- 1 European Patent (UK) No. 1283295 names four inventors: Masaru Haruta, Hiroshi Kagao, Masanori Uemoto and Takenori Furuya. The patent proprietor is Toray Industries, Inc.
- 2 Yuichi Manabe has filed an application in accordance with rule 10(2) of the Patents Rules 2007 to the effect that he ought also to have been named as a joint inventor.
- 3 In support of the application, an extract from the European patents register has been filed. This shows Mr Manabe has been named as an inventor in respect of patent number EP 1283295. Confirmation that Mr Manabe contributed to the invention covered by German patent No. 6014153.7, (the German part of the European patent published under EP 1283295), has been filed by each of the inventors mentioned above. Each has also confirmed that they consent to the designation of Mr Manabe as an additional joint inventor in the register of the German Patent and Trademark Office.

In view of the consent filed and the fact that the European patents register has already been amended to show Mr Manabe as a joint inventor in respect of patent number EP 1283295, I therefore find that he should also be mentioned as a joint inventor in respect of patent number EP (UK) 1283295. In accordance with rule 10(1), I direct that an addendum slip mentioning Yuichi Manabe as a joint inventor be prepared for the granted patent for the invention.

S M WILLIAMS

Head of Litigation Section acting for the Comptroller