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## PATENTS ACT 1977

PARTIES	JTEKT Corporation, Koyo Machine Industries Co Ltd and others, Tadakatsu Take, Shigetaka Kinme, Mitsuharu Ozaki and others
ISSUE	Mention of additional inventor for patent number EP (UK) 1693586

under Section 13(1)

HEARING OFFICER

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## DECISION

- 1 European Patent (UK) No. 1693586 names five inventors: Shigetaka Kinme, Mitsuharu Ozaki, Katsutoshi Nishizaki, Akio Kobayashi and Takehiko Ozawa.
- 2 The patent proprietors, JTEKT Corporation, Koyo Machine Industries Co Ltd, Togo Seisakusyo Corporation and Nissan Motor Co Ltd, have filed an application in accordance with rule 10(2) of the Patents Rules 2007 to the effect that Tadakatsu Take ought also to have been named as a joint inventor.
- 3 Each of the inventors has provided written consent in support of the application. For his part, Tadakatsu Take has also confirmed in writing that he should be named as an inventor. I therefore conclude that all the relevant parties agree that Tadakatsu Take should be named as a joint inventor.
- 4 Accordingly I find that Tadakatsu Take should be mentioned as an inventor, along with each of the currently named inventors, in the granted EP (UK) patent and I direct, in accordance with rule 10(1), that an addendum slip mentioning him as such be prepared for the granted patent for the invention.