



PATENTS ACT 1977

PARTIES	Nihon Plast Co., Ltd, Kenta Hioki, Katsuhiko Imal and Nobukazu Kikuchi & Yasuhisa Masuda
ISSUE	Mention of additional inventors for patent number GB2515154
HEARING OFFICER	Susan Eaves

DECISION

- 1 Nihon Plast Co., Ltd, the patent proprietor, filed an application in accordance with rule 10(2) of the Patent Rules 2007 to the effect that Kenta Hioki, Katsuhiko Imal and Nobukazu Kikuchi should be mentioned as joint inventors.
- 2 Nihon Plast Co., Ltd, Kenta Hioki, Katsuhiko Imal and Nobukazu Kikuchi subsequently filed written consent in support of the application. Yasuhisa Masuda the existing named inventor has also consented to the addition of the three inventors. As such the application is treated as unopposed.
- 3 Accordingly, I find that Kenta Hioki, Katsuhiko Imal and Nobukazu Kikuchi should be mentioned as joint inventors in the published patent application and granted patent for the invention. I therefore direct, in accordance with rule 10(1), that an addendum slip mentioning Kenta Hioki, Katsuhiko Imal and Nobukazu Kikuchi as joint inventors be prepared for the published application and granted patent for the invention.

SUSAN EAVES

B3 Head of Litigation, acting for Comptroller