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SAME

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Sir:

Further to Applicant's Duty of Disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the material cited on the enclosed PTO/SB/08a form. Copies of the cited documents are enclosed. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(ii), copies of the cited U.S. publications and/or patent documents have not been included.

The references cited in this Information Disclosure Statement were listed in an International Search Report in the corresponding International Application (PCT/JP2010/062662), a copy of which is enclosed, or are discussed in the background of the Specification.

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References JP 07-106654 A and JP 2001-267646 A are submitted herewith in the Japanese language with English language abstracts. The relevancy of these non-English language documents is set forth in the enclosed International Search Report in which they were cited.

References US 2003/0107301 A1, US 5,153,477 A and US 2009/0162706 A1 appear to be the English language equivalents of references JP 3900918 B2; JP 03-248483 A; and W O2007/102369 A1, respectively, which are submitted herewith in the Japanese language, and illustrate and describe the same structure.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider these documents and return an initialed copy of the PTO/SB/08a form indicating their consideration of the cited materials.

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