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PATENTS ACT 1977

PARTIES BPB Limited, Samantha O'Keefe,
Cedric Biguenet, Agnes Smith and
Thierry Chotard

ISSUE Mention of additional inventors for
patent number GB 2448973
under Section 13(1)

HEARING OFFICER S M WILLIAMS

DECISION

- 1 Patents Form 7 names two inventors: Samantha O'Keefe and Cedric Biguenet.
- 2 BPB Limited, the patent proprietor, has now made an application under rule 10(2) of the Patents Rules 2007 to the effect that Agnes Smith and Thierry Chotard should also have been named as joint inventors.
- 3 Written consent to the application has been provided by Samantha O'Keefe and Cedric Biguenet. For their part, Agnes Smith and Thierry Chotard have also consented to the application. They have also provided written consent confirming their agreement that each other should be named as inventors. I therefore conclude that all relevant parties agree that Agnes Smith and Thierry Chotard should be named as joint inventors.
- 4 Accordingly I find that Agnes Smith and Thierry Chotard should be mentioned as joint inventors in the published patent application and granted patent for the invention along with Samantha O'Keefe and Cedric Biguenet, and I direct, in accordance with rule 10(1), that an addendum slip mentioning them as joint inventors be prepared for the published patent application and granted patent for the invention.

S M WILLIAMS

B3 Head of Litigation Section, acting for Comptroller