

### Auxiliary Request 14A

1. A hook-and-loop fastener female member (100), comprising:  
 an engaging layer engageable with a hook-and-loop fastener male member; and  
 a physical property layer configured to hold the engaging layer,  
wherein the physical property layer is a non-woven fabric of fiber,  
 wherein the engaging layer includes a non-woven fabric of fiber,\_\_\_  
wherein the non-woven fabric of the engaging layer comprises a spunbonded  
non-woven fabric,  
 wherein the hook-and-loop fastener female member (100) has an embossed pat-  
 tern (10), wherein the embossed pattern (10) is a discontinuous embossed pat-  
tern of, ~~wherein the embossed pattern (10) is~~ an arc shape, and  
 wherein the hook-and-loop fastener female member (100) has a region free of  
 the embossed pattern (20) in which pieces of the fiber have mutual bonding points,  
 wherein a distance L between two adjacent embossments (10) in a plurality of  
 embossments (10) forming the embossed pattern (10) on any line in an MD di-  
 rection is 10 mm or less,  
 wherein the diameter of the fiber of the non-woven fabric in the engaging layer is  
 from 5  $\mu\text{m}$  to 60  $\mu\text{m}$ , and  
 characterized in that the ratio of the area of the welded portion formed by the  
 embossed pattern to the area of the entire surface of the hook-and-loop fastener  
 female member is from 12% to 23%,  
wherein a total basis weight, which is a sum of a basis weight of the non-woven  
fabric in the engaging layer and a basis weight of the non-woven fabric in the  
physical property layer, is 30 g/m<sup>2</sup> or more.
2. The hook-and-loop fastener female member (100) according to claim 1, wherein  
 a distance L between two adjacent embossments (10) in a plurality of emboss-  
 ments (10) forming the embossed pattern (10) on any line in an MD direction is 7  
 mm or less.
3. The hook-and-loop fastener female member (100) according to claim 1, wherein  
 a distance L between two adjacent embossments (10) in a plurality of emboss-  
 ments (10) forming the embossed pattern (10) on any line in an MD direction is 1