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(54) **POSITIVE ELECTRODE FOR RECHARGEABLE LITHIUM BATTERY, AND RECHARGEABLE LITHIUM BATTERY INCLUDING THE SAME**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A positive electrode for a rechargeable lithium battery includes a current collector and a positive electrode active material layer on the current collector, the positive electrode active material layer including a positive electrode active material, the positive electrode active material includes about 75 wt % to about 100 wt % of a first positive electrode active material in a form of single particles and including a lithium nickel-based composite oxide having a nickel content of greater than or equal to about 70 mol %, and about 0 wt % to about 25 wt % of a second positive electrode active material in a form of secondary particles in which a plurality of primary particles are aggregated and including a lithium nickel-based composite oxide, and, in an X-ray diffraction analysis of the positive electrode, a ratio of a peak intensity of a (**003**) plane to a (**104**) plane is greater than or equal to about 4.8.