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ABSTRACT

A secondary battery includes: an electrode assembly; a case accommodating the electrode assembly; a cap plate sealing the case; and a current collector plate welded between the electrode assembly and the case or between the electrode assembly and the cap plate. The current collector plate has a slit therein.

