Intellectual Property Disclosure Form
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I. Description

Please provide a title for your invention and a detailed description. Please provide figures and/or flow charts if necessary. Please provide figures or drawings that show or describe your invention, if applicable. Please describe any difficulties or hurdles that you had to overcome to finalize the invention. Inventions include new processes, products, apparatus, compositions of matter, living organisms, or improvements to (or new uses for) things that already exist. Use additional sheets and attach descriptive materials to expand answers to questions. Sketches, drawings, photos, reports and manuscripts will be helpful.

Invention Title

Description

What are the immediate and/or future applications of the inventions? In other words, how will this invention likely be commercialized?

Why is the invention better (more advantageous) than present technology? What are its novel and unusual features? What problems does it solve?

Please provide copies of the closest prior art of which you are aware. Please indicate the differences between your invention and the prior art. Please also indicate to the best of your ability, why these changes are not an obvious modification. Please also indicate the shortcomings of the prior art.

Is the work on the invention continuing? Are there limitations to be overcome or other tasks to be done prior to practical application? Are there any test data? Please provide any experiments or testing you have performed and an explanation of what the experiments show.

Have products, apparatus or compositions, etc. actually been made or tested?

What minor modification or changes could be made to your invention that would enable it to still work? (for example, if you use one solution, what equivalent solutions would work or if you use a certain amount, what ranges of that amount might work)

II. Publications, Public Use and Sale

Note: valid patent protection depends on accurate answers to the following items.

Has the invention been disclosed in an abstract, paper, talk, news story or a thesis?

Yes _____ No ______ (if yes, please provide and if still in progress, please provide the draft.)
Type of disclosure __________________ Date of Disclosure _______________
(Please enclose a copy)

Is a publication or other disclosure planned in the next six months? Yes _____ No _____

Type of disclosure __________________ Date of Disclosure _______________
(Please enclose a copy)

Has there been any public use or sale of products embodying the invention? Yes ____ No____
If yes, describe, giving dates __________________________________________________________
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Are you aware of related developments by others? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please give citations. (Copies of any relevant patents or publications would be appreciated). ___
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III. Sponsorship
If the research that led to the invention was sponsored, please fill in the details and attach a copy of the contract or agreement if possible.

Funding Agency _________________________________________________________________

Funding Agency contact/grant no. ____________________________ TU Acct. No. ______________
Title of Sponsored Project ____________________________________________________________
Principal Investigator _____________________________________ Phone ________________

Has the invention been disclosed to industry representatives? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, please provide details, including the names of companies and their representatives.
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IV. For Our Records
Names of inventors
1. ______________________________ Signature ____________________ Date ___________________
2. ______________________________ Signature ____________________ Date ___________________
3. ______________________________ Signature ____________________ Date ___________________

Contact for more information ______________________ Phone __________________

Mailing Address for inventor(s) ________________________________

Intellectual Property Committee

Reviewer’s _________________________________________________________________

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