## **MUTUAL NDA**

## Bilateral Non- Disclosure Agreement

This Agreement is entered into as of the	day of	, 20	, the
"Effective Date", by and between		, hereinafto	er known as
" <u>Party A</u> ", and	_, hereinafter known as " <u>Party B</u> ".		
WHEREAS Party A and Party B, hereinafter k	nown as the "P	arties", have an	interest in
participating in discussions wherein either Pa	arty may share	information with	h the other
that the disclosing Party considers being pro	prietary and co	onfidential to itse	elf
("Confidential Information"); and WHEREAS	the Parties agr	ee that Confiden	ntial
Information of a Party may include, but not l	be limited to th	at Party's:	
(1) business plans, methods, and practices; (	2) personnel, c	ustomers, and su	uppliers; (3)
inventions, processes, methods, products, pa	atent application	ons, and other pr	roprietary
rights; or (4) specifications, drawings, sketch	es, models, sar	nples, tools, con	nputer

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties agree as follows:

programs, technical information, or other related information;

- 1. Either Party may disclose Confidential Information to the other Party in confidence provided that the disclosing Party identifies such information as proprietary and confidential either by marking it, in the case of written materials, or, in the case of information that is disclosed orally or written materials that are not marked, by notifying the other Party of the proprietary and confidential nature of the information, such notification to be done orally, by e-mail or written correspondence, or via other means of communication as might be appropriate.
- 2. When informed of the proprietary and confidential nature of Confidential Information that the other Party has disclosed, the receiving Party ("Recipient") shall, for a period ofone year from the date of disclosure, refrain from disclosing such Confidential Information to any contractor or other third party without prior, written approval from the disclosing Party and shall protect such Confidential Information from inadvertent disclosure to a third party using the same care and diligence that the Recipient uses to protect its own proprietary and confidential information, but in no case less than

reasonable care.

The Recipient shall ensure that each of its employees, officers, directors, or agents who have access to Confidential Information disclosed under this Agreement is informed of its proprietary and confidential nature and is required to abide by the terms of this Agreement. The Recipient of Confidential Information told under this Agreement shall promptly notify the disclosing Party of any disclosure of such Confidential Information in violation of this Agreement or of any subpoena or other legal process requiring production or disclosure of said Confidential Information.

- 3. All Confidential Information disclosed under this Agreement shall be and remain the property of the disclosing Party. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as granting or conferring any rights to such Confidential Information on the other Party. The Recipient shall honor any request from the disclosing Party to promptly return or destroy all copies of Confidential Information disclosed under this Agreement and all notes related to such Confidential Information. The Parties agree that the disclosing Party will suffer irreparable injury if its Confidential Information is made public, released to a third party, or otherwise disclosed in breach of this Agreement and that the disclosing Party shall be entitled to obtain injunctive relief against a threatened breach or continuation of any such violation and, in the event of such breach, an award of actual and exemplary damages from any court of competent jurisdiction.
- 4. The terms of this Agreement shall not be construed to limit either Party's right to develop independently or acquire products without using the other Party's Confidential Information. The disclosing party acknowledges that the Recipient may currently or in the future be creating information internally or receiving data from other parties that are similar to the Confidential Information. Nothing in this Agreement will prohibit the Recipient from developing or having developed for its products, concepts, systems, or techniques that are similar to or compete with the products, ideas, procedures, or methods contemplated by or embodied in the Confidential Information provided that the Recipient does not violate any of its obligations under this Agreement in connection with such development.
- 5. Notwithstanding the above, the Parties agree that information shall not be deemed Confidential Information. The Recipient shall have no obligation to hold in confidence

such information, where such information: (a) Is already known to the Recipient, having been disclosed to the Recipient by a third party without such third party having an obligation of confidentiality to the disclosing Party; or (b) Is or becomes publicly known through no wrongful act of the Recipient, its employees, officers, directors, or agents; or (c) Is independently developed by the Recipient without reference to any Confidential Information disclosed hereunder; or (d) Is approved for release (and only to the extent so approved) by the disclosing Party; or (e) Is disclosed under the lawful requirement of a court or governmental agency or where required by operation of law.

- 6. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to constitute an agency, partnership, joint venture, or other similar relationship between the Parties.
- 7. Neither Party will, without prior approval of the other Party, make any public announcement of or otherwise disclose the existence or the terms of this Agreement.
- 8. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties and, in no way, creates an obligation for either Party to disclose information to the other Party or to enter into any additional contracted agreement.
- 9. This Agreement shall remain in effect for a period one yearfrom the Effective Date unless otherwise terminated by either Party giving notice to the other of its desire to terminate this Agreement.

The requirement to protect Confidential Information disclosed under this Agreement shall survive termination of this Agreement.

By signing this agreement, you understand what you agree to and the information you need to keep confidential and not disclose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties represent and warrant that each has the authority to bind the party to this Agreement and hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date indicated above.

Signature	Date
For	
Party A	
Signature	Date
For	
Party B	