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# **Intellectual Property Provisions For Large and Small Business, Nonprofit Organizations, Educational Institutions, and Others (Non Research and Development)**

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The Subcontractor is hereby placed on notice that the contracting party to this subcontract is the Alliance for Sustainable Energy, LLC, in its capacity as the Managing and Operating Contractor for the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) under U.S. Department of Energy Contract No. DE-AC36-08GO28308. All references to “NREL” in the subcontract or this appendix shall mean the Alliance for Sustainable Energy, LLC.

All references to “Contractor” in this appendix shall mean “Subcontractor.” All references to “contract” in this appendix shall mean “subcontract.” All references to “Contracting Officer” in this appendix shall mean the “DOE Contracting Officer.” Subcontract terms shall be applicable to all lower tier Subcontractors performing work under the subcontract, as applicable. Any reference to the “Head of the Contracting Authority” in this appendix shall mean the Manager of the Golden Field Office.

No clause alternates in this Appendix, other than those already incorporated into the respective clause in this Appendix, will apply to this subcontract unless explicitly incorporated in the Subcontract Schedule.

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## CLAUSES

### CLAUSE 1. AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT (DEC 2007)

*DERIVED FROM FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION – 52.227-1*

- (a) The Government authorizes and consents to all use and manufacture, in performing this contract or any subcontract at any tier, of any invention described in and covered by a United States patent—
- (1) Embodied in the structure or composition of any article the delivery of which is accepted by the Government through NREL under this contract; or
  - (2) Used in machinery, tools, or methods whose use necessarily results from compliance by the Contractor or a subcontractor with
    - (i) specifications or written provisions forming a part of this contract or
    - (ii) specific written instructions given by the Contracting Officer through NREL directing the manner of performance. The entire liability to the Government for infringement of a United States patent shall be determined solely by the provisions of the indemnity clause, if any, included in this contract or any subcontract hereunder (including any lower-tier subcontract), and the Government assumes liability for all other infringement to the extent of the authorization and consent hereinabove granted.
- (b) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (b), in all subcontracts that are expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold. However, omission of this clause from any subcontract, including those at or below the simplified acquisition threshold, does not affect this authorization and consent.

**Alternate I (APR 1984).** As prescribed in Federal Acquisition Regulation 27.201-2(a)(2), substitute the following paragraph (a) for paragraph (a) of the basic clause:

- (a) The Government authorizes and consents to all use and manufacture of any invention described in and covered by a United States patent in the performance of this contract or any subcontract at any tier.

**Alternate II (APR 1984).** As prescribed in Federal Acquisition Regulation 27.201-2(a)(3), substitute the following paragraph (a) for paragraph (a) of the basic clause:

- (a) The Government authorizes and consents to all use and manufacture in the performance of any order at any tier or subcontract at any tier placed under this contract for communication services and facilities for which rates, charges, and tariffs are *not* established by a government regulatory body, of any invention described in and covered by a United States patent—
- (1) Embodied in the structure or composition of any article the delivery of which is accepted by the Government through NREL under this contract; or
  - (2) Used in machinery, tools, or methods whose use necessarily results from compliance by the Contractor or a subcontractor with specifications or written provisions forming a part

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of this contract or with specific written instructions given by the Contracting Officer through NREL directing the manner of performance.

#### **CLAUSE 2. NOTICE AND ASSISTANCE REGARDING PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT (DEC 2007)**

*DERIVED FROM FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION – 52.227-2*

- (a) The Contractor shall report to the Contracting Officer through NREL, promptly and in reasonable written detail, each notice or claim of patent or copyright infringement based on the performance of this contract of which the Contractor has knowledge.
- (b) In the event of any claim or suit against the Government on account of any alleged patent or copyright infringement arising out of the performance of this contract or out of the use of any supplies furnished or work or services performed under this contract, the Contractor shall furnish to the Government, when requested by the Contracting Officer through NREL, all evidence and information in the Contractor's possession pertaining to such claim or suit. Such evidence and information shall be furnished at the expense of the Government except where the Contractor has agreed to indemnify the Government.
- (c) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in all subcontracts that are expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

#### **CLAUSE 3. PATENT INDEMNITY (APR 1984)**

*DERIVED FROM FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION – 52.227-3*

- (a) The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, agents, and employees against liability, including costs, for infringement of any United States patent (except a patent issued upon an application that is now or may hereafter be withheld from issue pursuant to a Secrecy Order under 35 U.S.C. 181) arising out of the manufacture or delivery of supplies, the performance of services, or the construction, alteration, modification, or repair of real property (hereinafter referred to as "construction work") under this contract, or out of the use or disposal by or for the account of the Government of such supplies or construction work.
- (b) This indemnity shall not apply unless the Contractor shall have been informed as soon as practicable by the Government of the suit or action alleging such infringement and shall have been given such opportunity as is afforded by applicable laws, rules, or regulations to participate in its defense. Further, this indemnity shall not apply to—
  - (1) An infringement resulting from compliance with specific written instructions of the Contracting Officer through NREL directing a change in the supplies to be delivered or in the materials or equipment to be used, or directing a manner of performance of the contract not normally used by the Contractor;

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- (2) An infringement resulting from addition to or change in supplies or components furnished or construction work performed that was made subsequent to delivery or performance;  
or
- (3) A claimed infringement that is unreasonably settled without the consent of the Contractor, unless required by final decree of a court of competent jurisdiction.

**Alternate I (APR 1984).** As prescribed in Federal Acquisition Regulation, 27.201-2(c)(2), add the following paragraph (c) to the basic clause:

- (c) This patent indemnification shall not apply to the following items:

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*[Contracting Officer list and/or identify the items to be excluded from this indemnity.]*

**Alternate II (APR 1984).** As prescribed in Federal Acquisition Regulation, 27.201-2(c)(2), add the following paragraph (c) to the basic clause:

- (c) This patent indemnification shall cover the following items:

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*[List and/or identify the items to be included under this indemnity.]*

**Alternate III (JULY 1995).** As prescribed in Federal Acquisition Regulation, 27.201-2(c)(3), add the following paragraph (c) to the basic clause:

- (c) As to subcontracts at any tier for communication service, this clause shall apply only to individual communication service authorizations over the simplified acquisition threshold issued under this contract and covering those communications services and facilities—
  - (1) That are or have been sold or offered for sale by the Contractor to the public,
  - (2) That can be provided over commercially available equipment, or
  - (3) That involve relatively minor modifications.

#### **CLAUSE 4. RIGHTS IN DATA – GENERAL (MAY 2014), WITH ALTERNATES I (DEC 2007) AND V (DEC 2007) AND ALTERNATE VIII OF DEAR 952.227-14**

*DERIVED FROM FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION – 52.227-14*

- (a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

“Computer database” or “database means” a collection of recorded information in a form capable of, and for the purpose of, being stored in, processed, and operated on by a computer. The term does not include computer software.

“Computer software”—

- (1) Means

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- (i) Computer programs that comprise a series of instructions, rules, routines, or statements, regardless of the media in which recorded, that allow or cause a computer to perform a specific operation or series of operations; and
- (ii) Recorded information comprising source code listings, design details, algorithms, processes, flow charts, formulas, and related material that would enable the computer program to be produced, created, or compiled.

(2) Does not include computer databases or computer software documentation.

“Computer software documentation” means owner’s manuals, user’s manuals, installation instructions, operating instructions, and other similar items, regardless of storage medium, that explain the capabilities of the computer software or provide instructions for using the software.

“Data” means recorded information, regardless of form or the media on which it may be recorded. The term includes technical data and computer software. The term does not include information incidental to contract administration, such as financial, administrative, cost or pricing, or management information.

“Form, fit, and function data” means data relating to items, components, or processes that are sufficient to enable physical and functional interchangeability, and data identifying source, size, configuration, mating and attachment characteristics, functional characteristics, and performance requirements. For computer software it means data identifying source, functional characteristics, and performance requirements but specifically excludes the source code, algorithms, processes, formulas, and flow charts of the software.

“Limited rights” means the rights of the Government in limited rights data as set forth in the Limited Rights Notice of paragraph (g)(3) if included in this clause.

“Limited rights data” means data, other than computer software, developed at private expense that embody trade secrets or are commercial or financial and confidential or privileged.

“Restricted computer software” means computer software developed at private expense and that is a trade secret, is commercial or financial and confidential or privileged, or is copyrighted computer software, including minor modifications of the computer software.

“Restricted rights,” as used in this clause, means the rights of the Government in restricted computer software, as set forth in a Restricted Rights Notice of paragraph (g) if included in this clause, or as otherwise may be provided in a collateral agreement incorporated in and made part of this contract, including minor modifications of such computer software.

“Technical data” means recorded information (regardless of the form or method of the recording) of a scientific or technical nature (including computer databases and computer software documentation). This term does not include computer software or financial, administrative, cost or pricing, or management data or other information incidental to contract administration. The term includes recorded information of a scientific or technical nature that is included in computer databases (See 41 U.S.C. 116).

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“Unlimited rights” means the rights of the Government to use, disclose, reproduce, prepare derivative works, distribute copies to the public, and perform publicly and display publicly, in any manner and for any purpose, and to have or permit others to do so.

#### (b) Allocation of rights.

(1) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this clause, the Government shall have unlimited rights in—

- (i) Data first produced in the performance of this contract;
- (ii) Form, fit, and function data delivered under this contract;
- (iii) Data delivered under this contract (except for restricted computer software) that constitute manuals or instructional and training material for installation, operation, or routine maintenance and repair of items, components, or processes delivered or furnished for use under this contract; and
- (iv) All other data delivered under this contract unless provided otherwise for limited rights data or restricted computer software in accordance with paragraph (g) of this clause.

(2) The Contractor shall have the right to—

- (i) Assert copyright in data first produced in the performance of this contract to the extent provided in paragraph (c)(1) of this clause;
- (ii) Use, release to others, reproduce, distribute, or publish any data first produced or specifically used by the Contractor in the performance of this contract, unless provided otherwise in paragraph (d) of this clause;
- (iii) Substantiate the use of, add, or correct limited rights, restricted rights, or copyright notices and to take other appropriate action, in accordance with paragraphs (e) and (f) of this clause; and
- (iv) Protect from unauthorized disclosure and use those data that are limited rights data or restricted computer software to the extent provided in paragraph (g) of this clause.

#### (c) Copyright—

(1) Data first produced in the performance of this contract.

- (i) Unless provided otherwise in paragraph (d) of this clause, the Contractor may, without prior approval of the Contracting Officer, assert copyright in scientific and technical articles based on or containing data first produced in the performance of this contract and published in academic, technical or professional journals, symposia proceedings, or similar works. The prior, express written permission of the DOE Patent Counsel is required to assert copyright in all other data first produced in the performance of this contract. When such permission is granted, the DOE Patent Counsel shall specify appropriate terms, conditions, and submission requirements to assure utilization, dissemination, and commercialization of the data. The Contractor, when requested, shall promptly deliver to Patent Counsel a duly executed and

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approved instrument fully confirmatory of all rights to which the Government is entitled.

- (ii) When authorized to assert copyright to the data, the Contractor shall affix the applicable copyright notices of 17 U.S.C. 401 or 402, and an acknowledgment of Government sponsorship (including contract number).
  - (iii) For data other than computer software, the Contractor grants to the Government, and others acting on its behalf, a paid-up, nonexclusive, irrevocable, worldwide license in such copyrighted data to reproduce, prepare derivative works, distribute copies to the public, and perform publicly and display publicly by or on behalf of the Government. For computer software, the Contractor grants to the Government, and others acting on its behalf, a paid-up, nonexclusive, irrevocable, worldwide license in such copyrighted computer software to reproduce, prepare derivative works, and perform publicly and display publicly (but not to distribute copies to the public) by or on behalf of the Government.
- (2) *Data not first produced in the performance of this contract.* The Contractor shall not, without the prior written permission of the Contracting Officer through NREL, incorporate in data delivered under this contract any data not first produced in the performance of this contract unless the Contractor—
- (i) Identifies the data; and
  - (ii) Grants to the Government, or acquires on its behalf, a license of the same scope as set forth in paragraph (c)(1) of this clause or, if such data are restricted computer software, the Government shall acquire a copyright license as set forth in paragraph (g)(4) of this clause (if included in this contract) or as otherwise provided in a collateral agreement incorporated in or made part of this contract.
- (3) *Removal of copyright notices.* The Government will not remove any authorized copyright notices placed on data pursuant to this paragraph (c), and will include such notices on all reproductions of the data.
- (d) *Release, publication, and use of data.* The Contractor shall have the right to use, release to others, reproduce, distribute, or publish any data first produced or specifically used by the Contractor in the performance of this contract, except—
- (1) As prohibited by Federal law or regulation (e.g., export control or national security laws or regulations);
  - (2) As expressly set forth in this contract; or
  - (3) If the Contractor receives or is given access to data necessary for the performance of this contract that contain restrictive markings, the Contractor shall treat the data in accordance with such markings unless specifically authorized otherwise in writing by the Contracting Officer through NREL.
- (e) Unauthorized marking of data.
- (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this contract concerning inspection or acceptance, if any data delivered under this contract are marked with the notices



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specified in paragraph (g)(3) or (g) (4) if included in this clause, and use of the notices is not authorized by this clause, or if the data bears any other restrictive or limiting markings not authorized by this contract, the Contracting Officer through NREL may at any time either return the data to the Contractor, or cancel or ignore the markings. However, pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 4703, the following procedures shall apply prior to canceling or ignoring the markings.

- (i) The Contracting Officer through NREL will make written inquiry to the Contractor affording the Contractor 60 days from receipt of the inquiry to provide written justification to substantiate the propriety of the markings;
  - (ii) If the Contractor fails to respond or fails to provide written justification to substantiate the propriety of the markings within the 60-day period (or a longer time approved in writing by the Contracting Officer through NREL for good cause shown), the Government shall have the right to cancel or ignore the markings at any time after said period and the data will no longer be made subject to any disclosure prohibitions.
  - (iii) If the Contractor provides written justification to substantiate the propriety of the markings within the period set in paragraph (e)(1)(i) of this clause, the Contracting Officer through NREL will consider such written justification and determine whether or not the markings are to be cancelled or ignored. If the Contracting Officer through NREL determines that the markings are authorized, the Contractor will be so notified in writing. If the Contracting Officer through NREL determines, with concurrence of the Head of the Contracting Activity, that the markings are not authorized, the Contracting Officer through NREL will furnish the Contractor a written determination, which determination will become the final agency decision regarding the appropriateness of the markings unless the Contractor files suit in a court of competent jurisdiction within 90 days of receipt of the Contracting Officer's decision. The Government will continue to abide by the markings under this paragraph (e)(1)(iii) until final resolution of the matter either by the Contracting Officer's determination becoming final (in which instance the Government will thereafter have the right to cancel or ignore the markings at any time and the data will no longer be made subject to any disclosure prohibitions), or by final disposition of the matter by court decision if suit is filed.
- (2) The time limits in the procedures set forth in paragraph (e)(1) of this clause may be modified in accordance with agency regulations implementing the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) if necessary to respond to a request thereunder.
  - (3) Except to the extent the Government's action occurs as the result of final disposition of the matter by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Contractor is not precluded by paragraph (e) of the clause from bringing a claim, in accordance with the Disputes clause of this contract, that may arise as the result of the Government removing or ignoring authorized markings on data delivered under this contract.
- (f) Omitted or incorrect markings.

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- (1) Data delivered to the Government without any restrictive markings shall be deemed to have been furnished with unlimited rights. The Government is not liable for the disclosure, use, or reproduction of such data.
  - (2) If the unmarked data has not been disclosed without restriction outside the Government, the Contractor may request, within 6 months (or a longer time approved by the Contracting Officer through NREL in writing for good cause shown) after delivery of the data, permission to have authorized notices placed on the data at the Contractor's expense. The Contracting Officer through NREL may agree to do so if the Contractor—
    - (i) Identifies the data to which the omitted notice is to be applied;
    - (ii) Demonstrates that the omission of the notice was inadvertent;
    - (iii) Establishes that the proposed notice is authorized; and
    - (iv) Acknowledges that the Government has no liability for the disclosure, use, or reproduction of any data made prior to the addition of the notice or resulting from the omission of the notice.
  - (3) If data has been marked with an incorrect notice, the Contracting Officer through NREL may—
    - (i) Permit correction of the notice at the Contractor's expense if the Contractor identifies the data and demonstrates that the correct notice is authorized; or
    - (ii) Correct any incorrect notices.
- (g) Protection of limited rights data and restricted computer software.
- (1) The Contractor may withhold from delivery qualifying limited rights data or restricted computer software that are not data identified in paragraphs (b)(1)(i), (ii), and (iii) of this clause. As a condition to this withholding, the Contractor shall—
    - (i) Identify the data being withheld; and
    - (ii) Furnish form, fit, and function data instead.
  - (2) Limited rights data that are formatted as a computer database for delivery to the Government shall be treated as limited rights data and not restricted computer software.
  - (3) [Reserved]
- (h) *Subcontracting*. The Contractor shall obtain from its subcontractors all data and rights therein necessary to fulfill the Contractor's obligations to the Government under this contract. If a subcontractor refuses to accept terms affording the Government those rights, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer through NREL of the refusal and shall not proceed with the subcontract award without authorization in writing from the Contracting Officer.
- (i) *Relationship to patents or other rights*. Nothing contained in this clause shall imply a license to the Government under any patent or be construed as affecting the scope of any license or other right otherwise granted to the Government.

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- (j) The Contractor agrees, except as may be otherwise specified in this contract for specific data deliverables listed as not subject to this paragraph, that the Contracting Officer may, up to three years after acceptance of all deliverables under this contract, inspect at the Contractor's facility any data withheld pursuant to paragraph (g)(1) of this clause, for purposes of verifying the Contractor's assertion of limited rights or restricted rights status of the data or for evaluating work performance. When the Contractor whose data are to be inspected demonstrates to the Contracting Officer that there would be a possible conflict of interest if a particular representative made the inspection, the Contracting Officer shall designate an alternate inspector.

**Alternate II (DEC 2007).** As prescribed in Federal Acquisition Regulation 27.409(b)(3), insert the following paragraph (g)(3) in the basic clause:

- (g) (3) Notwithstanding paragraph (g)(1) of this clause, the contract may identify and specify the delivery of limited rights data, or the Contracting Officer may require by written request the delivery of limited rights data that has been withheld or would otherwise be entitled to be withheld. If delivery of that data is required, the Contractor shall affix the following "Limited Rights Notice" to the data and the Government will treat the data, subject to the provisions of paragraphs (e) and (f) of this clause, in accordance with the notice:

#### **LIMITED RIGHTS NOTICE (DEC 2007)**

- (a) These data are submitted with limited rights under Government Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_ (and subcontract \_\_\_\_\_, if appropriate). These data may be reproduced and used by the Government with the express limitation that they will not, without written permission of the Contractor, be used for purposes of manufacture nor disclosed outside the Government; except that the Government may disclose these data outside the Government for the following purposes, if any; provided that the Government makes such disclosure subject to prohibition against further use and disclosure:
- (1) Use (except for manufacture) by support services contractors or subcontractors;
  - (2) Evaluation by non-government evaluators;
  - (3) Use (except for manufacture) by other contractors or subcontractors participating in the Government's program of which the specific subcontract is a part;
  - (4) Emergency repair or overhaul work; and
  - (5) Release to a foreign government, or its instrumentalities, if required to serve the interests of the U.S. Government, for information or evaluation or for emergency repair or overhaul work.
- (b) This notice shall be marked on any reproduction of these data, in whole or in part.

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**Alternate III (DEC 2007).** As prescribed in Federal Acquisition Regulation 27.409(b)(4), insert the following paragraph (g)(4) in the basic clause:

- (g) (4) (i) Notwithstanding paragraph (g)(1) of this clause, the contract may identify and specify the delivery of restricted computer software, or the Contracting Officer may require by written request the delivery of restricted computer software that has been withheld or would otherwise be entitled to be withheld. If delivery of that computer software is required, the Contractor shall affix the following "Restricted Rights Notice" to the computer software and the Government will treat the computer software, subject to paragraphs (e) and (f) of this clause, in accordance with the notice:

#### **RESTRICTED RIGHTS NOTICE (DEC 2007)**

- (a) This computer software is submitted with restricted rights under Government Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_ (and subcontract \_\_\_\_\_, if appropriate). It may not be used, reproduced, or disclosed by the Government except as provided in paragraph (b) of this notice or as otherwise expressly stated in the contract.
- (b) This computer software may be—
- (1) Used or copied for use with the computer(s) for which it was acquired, including use at any Government installation to which the computer(s) may be transferred;
  - (2) Used or copied for use with a backup computer if any computer for which it was acquired is inoperative;
  - (3) Reproduced for safekeeping (archives) or backup purposes;
  - (4) Modified, adapted, or combined with other computer software, *provided* that the modified, adapted, or combined portions of the derivative software incorporating any of the delivered, restricted computer software shall be subject to the same restricted rights;
  - (5) Disclosed to and reproduced for use by support service Contractors or their subcontractors in accordance with paragraphs (b)(1) through (4) of this notice; and
  - (6) Used or copied for use with a replacement computer.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if this computer software is copyrighted computer software, it is licensed to the Government with the minimum rights set forth in paragraph (b) of this notice.
- (d) Any other rights or limitations regarding the use, duplication, or disclosure of this computer software are to be expressly stated in, or incorporated in, the contract.
- (e) This notice shall be marked on any reproduction of this computer software, in whole or in part.

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- (ii) Where it is impractical to include the Restricted Rights Notice on restricted computer software, the following short-form notice may be used instead:

**RESTRICTED RIGHTS NOTICE SHORT FORM (JUN 1987)**

Use, reproduction, or disclosure is subject to restrictions set forth in Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_ (and subcontract, if appropriate) with \_\_\_\_\_ (name of Contractor and subcontractor).

- (iii) If restricted computer software is delivered with the copyright notice of 17 U.S.C. 401, it will be presumed to be licensed to the Government without disclosure prohibitions, with the minimum rights set forth in paragraph (b) of this clause.

**Alternate IV (DEC 2007).** As prescribed in Federal Acquisition Regulation 27.409(b)(5), substitute the following paragraph (c)(1) for paragraph (c)(1) of the basic clause:

- (c) *Copyright—(1) Data first produced in the performance of the contract.* Except as otherwise specifically provided in this contract, the Contractor may assert copyright in any data first produced in the performance of this contract. When asserting copyright, the Contractor shall affix the applicable copyright notice of 17 U.S.C. 401 or 402, and an acknowledgment of Government sponsorship (including contract number), to the data when such data are delivered to the Government, as well as when the data are published or deposited for registration as a published work in the U.S. Copyright Office. For data other than computer software, the Contractor grants to the Government, and others acting on its behalf, a paid-up, nonexclusive, irrevocable, worldwide license for all such data to reproduce, prepare derivative works, distribute copies to the public, and perform publicly and display publicly, by or on behalf of the Government. For computer software, the Contractor grants to the Government and others acting on its behalf, a paid-up, nonexclusive, irrevocable, worldwide license for all such computer software to reproduce, prepare derivative works, and perform publicly and display publicly (but not to distribute copies to the public), by or on behalf of the Government.

#### **CLAUSE 5. ADDITIONAL DATA REQUIREMENTS (JUN 1987)**

*DERIVED FROM FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION – 52.227-16*

- (a) In addition to the data (as defined in the clause at 52.227-14, Rights in Data—General clause or other equivalent included in this contract) specified elsewhere in this contract to be delivered, the Contracting Officer may, at any time during contract performance or within a period of 3 years after acceptance of all items to be delivered under this contract, order any data first produced or specifically used in the performance of this contract.
- (b) The Rights in Data—General clause or other equivalent included in this contract is applicable to all data ordered under this Additional Data Requirements clause. Nothing contained in this clause shall require the Contractor to deliver any data the withholding of which is authorized by the Rights in Data—General or other equivalent clause of this contract, or data which are specifically identified in this contract as not subject to this clause.

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- (c) When data are to be delivered under this clause, the Contractor will be compensated for converting the data into the prescribed form, for reproduction, and for delivery.
- (d) The Contracting Officer may release the Contractor from the requirements of this clause for specifically identified data items at any time during the 3-year period set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause.

#### **CLAUSE 6. RIGHTS TO PROPOSAL DATA (TECHNICAL) (JUN 1987)**

*DERIVED FROM FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION – 52.227-23*

Except for data contained on pages \_\_\_\_\_, it is agreed that as a condition of award of this contract, and notwithstanding the conditions of any notice appearing thereon, the Government shall have unlimited rights (as defined in the "Rights in Data—General" clause contained in this contract) in and to the technical data contained in the proposal dated \_\_\_\_\_, upon which this contract is based.

#### **CLAUSE 7. REFUND OF ROYALTIES (MAR 1995)**

*DERIVED FROM DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY ACQUISITION REGULATIONS – 952.227-9*

- (a) The contract price includes certain amounts for royalties payable by the Contractor or subcontractors or both, which amounts have been reported to the Contracting Officer through NREL.
- (b) The term "royalties" as used in this clause refers to any costs or charges in the nature of royalties, license fees, patent or license amortization costs, or the like, for the use of or for rights in patents and patent applications in connection with performing this contract or any subcontract here-under. The term also includes any costs or charges associated with the access to, use of, or other right pertaining to data that is represented to be proprietary and is related to the performance of this contract or the copying of such data or data that is copyrighted.
- (c) The Contractor shall furnish to the Contracting Officer through NREL, before final payment under this contract, a statement of royalties paid or required to be paid in connection with performing this contract and subcontracts hereunder together with the reasons.
- (d) The Contractor will be compensated for royalties reported under paragraph (c) of this clause, only to the extent that such royalties were included in the contract price and are determined by the Contracting Officer through NREL to be properly chargeable to the Government and allocable to the contract. To the extent that any royalties that are included in the contract price are not, in fact, paid by the Contractor or are determined by the Contracting Officer through NREL not to be properly chargeable to the Government and allocable to the contract, the contract price shall be reduced. Repayment or credit to the Government shall be made as the Contracting Officer through NREL directs. The approval by DOE of any individual payments or royalties shall not prevent the Government from contesting at any time the enforceability, validity, scope of, or title to, any patent or the

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proprietary nature of data pursuant to which a royalty or other payment is to be or has been made.

- (e) If, at any time within 3 years after final payment under this contract, the Contractor for any reason is relieved in whole or in part from the payment of the royalties included in the final contract price as adjusted pursuant to paragraph (d) of this clause, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer through NREL of that fact and shall reimburse the Government in a corresponding amount.
- (f) The substance of this clause, including this paragraph (f), shall be included in any subcontract in which the amount of royalties reported during negotiation of the subcontract exceeds \$250.