The Department of Energy has opted to utilize the following agreement for Designated Non-Proprietary User Facilities transactions. Because these transactions are widespread across Departmental facilities, uniformity in agreement terms is desirable. Except for the *** provisions, minor modifications to the terms of this agreement may be made by CONTRACTOR, but any changes to the *** provisions or substantive changes to the non *** provisions will require approval by the DOE Contracting Officer, WHICH WILL LIKELY DELAY YOUR ACCESS TO THE USER FACILITY. In instances where DOE Contracting Officer approval for substantive changes cannot be obtained, Work for Others (WFOs) and Cooperative Research and Development Agreements (CRADAs) may be more appropriate due to the increased flexibility such agreements afford. Where this agreement is to be used as an umbrella agreement for multiple transactions it may be modified to reflect such usage.

Non-Proprietary User Agreement

No. _____

BETWEEN

The Regents of the University of California
("CONTRACTOR")
Facility Operator of Ernest Orlando Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory under U.S. Department of Energy Contract ("DOE") No. DE-AC02-05CH11231
AND
<User Institution Legal Name>
("USER")

(Collectively, the “Parties”)

The obligations of the above-identified DOE Contractor may be transferred to and shall apply to any successor in interest to said CONTRACTOR continuing the operation of the DOE Non-Proprietary User Facility involved in this User Agreement.

ARTICLE I. FACILITIES AND SCOPE OF WORK

CONTRACTOR will make available to employees, consultants and representatives of USER (hereinafter called “Participants”) the National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center (hereinafter “NERSC” or “User Facility”), which may include equipment, services, information and other material, with or without Laboratory scientist collaboration, for purposes as described in individual proposals approved by said User Facility or by DOE for execution at the User Facility.

In order for the USER to gain access to and/or use of the User Facility, the research must first receive programmatic approval of the User Facility director or DOE. It is understood and agreed that the approval determinations are final. To receive such approval, the USER is obligated to provide a proposal disclosing a functional non-proprietary description of the intended work in accordance with published procedures, since such information is essential to the CONTRACTOR to operate the User Facility. The scope of work and title shall not be considered proprietary information and shall be publicly releasable.

Facility: National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center (NERSC or “User Facility”)
Scope of Work (“Work”): Non-Proprietary use of the computational resources at NERSC.
ARTICLE II. TERM OF THE AGREEMENT
This Agreement shall have a term of 5 (five) years from the effective date. The term of this Agreement shall be effective as of the date on which it is signed by the last of the Parties. Unless terminated by either Party in accordance with Article XVII or as directed by DOE, this Agreement shall automatically renew for additional five-year terms.

ARTICLE III. COST
Each Party will bear its own costs and expenses associated with this Agreement. No money will be transferred to or from either Party as consideration, in whole or in part, for this Agreement, except for reimbursement for support services that are provided above and beyond those normally provided by the facility upon request by User and at the discretion of the Contractor. Services may include such activities as sample preparation and facility operation outside of normal working hours, but shall not include conduct of research. Costs associated with User support shall be agreed upon in advance and set forth in a separate agreement. Under such separate agreement, Contractor will invoice User for these costs, and User shall pay each invoice according to the instructions therein.

ARTICLE IV. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS – NERSC SITE ACCESS
For remote access to and use of NERSC, and any LBNL computers, data storage systems, or communication networks, all Participants must complete all remote access documents or electronic forms required by CONTRACTOR and NERSC, and comply with all applicable policies and procedures regarding such use, including that all Participants must sign and comply with the LBNL NERSC Appropriate Use Policy. USER understands and agrees that continued use of NERSC is conditioned upon compliance with these policies. NERSC has the unilateral right to terminate this agreement or access by any Participant if in its sole determination that policies have been violated.

IF THE USER REQUIRES ACCESS TO OTHER FACILITIES AT THE LABORATORY, A DIFFERENT AGREEMENT WILL NEED TO BE EXECUTED.

ARTICLE V. PROPERTY AND MATERIALS

USER may be permitted by the CONTRACTOR to furnish equipment, tooling, test apparatus, or materials (“Personal Property” or “Property”) necessary to assist in the performance of the Work at the User Facility. Such items shall remain the property of USER. Unless the Parties otherwise agree, all such Property furnished by USER or equipment and test apparatus provided by USER will be removed by USER within sixty (60) days of termination or expiration of this Agreement or will be disposed of as directed by USER at USER’s expense. Any equipment that becomes integrated into the User Facility shall be the property of the United States Government (“Government”). USER acknowledges that any material supplied by USER may be damaged, consumed, deleted or lost. Materials remaining after performance of the Work or analysis will be removed in their then condition by USER at USER's expense. USER will return User Facilities and equipment utilized in their original condition except for normal wear and tear.

CONTRACTOR shall have no responsibility for USER's Property at the User Facility other than loss or damage caused by willful misconduct or gross negligence of CONTRACTOR or its employees.

Personal Property produced or acquired during the course of this Agreement shall be disposed of as directed by the owner at the owner’s expense.
CONTRACTOR may provide User and its Participants with property (including cryptographic authentication devices and identification badges) to enable Participants use of the facility. USER or Participants shall return CONTRACTOR property within 15 days of termination of this Agreement or CONTRACTOR’s demand.

ARTICLE VI. SCHEDULING ***
USER understands that CONTRACTOR will have sole responsibility and discretion for allocating and scheduling usage of the User Facilities and equipment needed for or involved under this Agreement.

ARTICLE VII. INDEMNITY AND LIABILITY ***
A. Personnel Relationships
   USER shall be responsible for the acts or omissions of Participants.

B. Product Liability
   To the extent permitted by United States (“US”) law and US State law of the USER, if USER utilizes the Work derived from this Agreement in the making, using, or selling of a product, process or service, then USER hereby agrees to hold harmless and indemnify CONTRACTOR and the United States Government, their officers, agents and employees from any and all liability, claims, damages, costs and expenses, including attorney fees, for injury to or death of persons, or damage to or destruction of property, as a result of or arising out of such utilization of the Work by or on behalf of USER, its assignees or licensees.

C. General Indemnity
   To the extent permitted by US and US State law of the USER, USER hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless CONTRACTOR and the United States Government, their officers, agents and employees from any and all liability, claims, damages, costs and expenses, including attorney fees, for injury to or death of persons, or damage to or destruction of property, to the extent such liability, claims, or damages is caused by or contributed to the negligence or intentional misconduct of USER or its employees or representatives during the performance of the Work under this Agreement.

D. Patent and Copyright Indemnity—Limited
   To the extent permitted by US and US State law of the USER, USER shall fully indemnify the Government and CONTRACTOR and their officers, agents, and employees for infringement of any United States patent or copyright arising out of any acts required or directed or performed by USER under the Agreement to the extent such acts are not normally performed at the User Facility.

E. The liability and indemnity provisions in paragraphs B, C and D above shall not apply unless USER shall have been informed as soon as practicable by CONTRACTOR or the Government of the suit or action alleging such liability or infringement, and such indemnity shall not apply to a claimed liability or infringement that is settled without the consent of USER unless required by a court of competent jurisdiction.

F. General Disclaimer
   THE GOVERNMENT AND CONTRACTOR MAKE NO EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY AS TO THE CONDITIONS OF THE USER FACILITY FURNISHED HEREBUNDER. IN ADDITION, THE GOVERNMENT, CONTRACTOR AND USER MAKE NO EXPRESS OR
IMPLIED WARRANTY AS TO THE RESEARCH OR ANY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, GENERATED INFORMATION, OR PRODUCT MADE OR DEVELOPED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, OR THE OWNERSHIP, MERCHANTABILITY, OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OF THE RESEARCH OR RESULTING PRODUCT; THAT THE GOODS, SERVICES, MATERIALS, PRODUCTS, PROCESSES, INFORMATION, OR DATA TO BE FURNISHED HEREUNDER WILL ACCOMPLISH INTENDED RESULTS OR ARE SAFE FOR ANY PURPOSE INCLUDING THE INTENDED PURPOSE; OR THAT ANY OF THE ABOVE WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH PRIVATELY OWNED RIGHTS OF OTHERS. THE GOVERNMENT, CONTRACTOR AND/OR USER SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES ATTRIBUTED TO USE OF SUCH FACILITIES, RESEARCH OR RESULTING PRODUCT, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, GENERATED INFORMATION, OR PRODUCT MADE OR DELIVERED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE VIII. PATENT AND TECHNICAL DATA PROVISIONS (FEDERALLY FUNDED)
If research subject to this Agreement is performed by the USER under a federal agency grant or contract, then, to the extent that the patent technical data rights provisions in the USER’s grant or contract with a federal agency are inconsistent with the terms and conditions contained in Article IX and X below, the terms and conditions of the grant or contract shall apply.

ARTICLE IX. PATENT RIGHTS***

A. Definitions
1. “Subject Invention” means any invention or discovery conceived or first actually reduced to practice in the course of or under this Agreement.
2. “USER Invention” means any Subject Invention of USER.
3. “CONTRACTOR Invention” means any Subject Invention of CONTRACTOR.
4. “Patent Counsel” means the DOE Counsel for Intellectual Property assisting the DOE Contracting activity.

B. Subject Inventions
CONTRACTOR and USER agree to disclose their Subject Inventions, which includes any inventions of their Participants, to each other, concurrent with reporting such Subject Inventions to DOE.

C. CONTRACTOR’s Rights
Except as provided below in the case of joint inventions, CONTRACTOR Inventions will be governed by the provisions of CONTRACTOR’S Prime Contract for operation of the User Facility.

D. USER’s Rights
Subject to the provisions herein, USER may elect title to any USER Invention and in any resulting patent secured by USER within one year of reporting the subject invention to DOE. The USER shall file a US patent application within a reasonable period of time. Where appropriate, the filing of patent applications by USER is subject to DOE security regulations and requirements.

E. Joint Inventions
For Subject Inventions conceived or first actually reduced to practice under this Agreement that are joint Subject Inventions made by CONTRACTOR and USER, each Party shall have the option to elect and retain title to its undivided rights in such joint Subject Inventions.

F. Rights of Government

1. USER agrees to timely assign to the Government, if requested, the entire right, title, and interest in any country to each USER Invention where USER:
   a. Does not elect to retain such rights; or
   b. Fails to timely have a patent application filed in that country on the USER Invention or decides not to continue prosecution or not to pay the maintenance fees covering the Invention; or
   c. At any time, no longer desires to retain title.

2. USER shall provide the Government a copy of any application filed by USER promptly after such application is filed, including its serial number and filing date.

3. USER hereby grants to the Government a nonexclusive, nontransferable, irrevocable, paid-up license to practice or have practiced for or on behalf of the United States the USER Invention made under said project throughout the world.

4. USER acknowledges that the DOE has certain March-in Rights to any USER Inventions elected by the USER in accordance with 48 C.F.R. 27.304-1(g) and that the USER is subject to the requirements with respect to preference for U.S. industry pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 204 to any USER Inventions elected by the USER.

5. The USER agrees to include, within the specification of any U.S. patent applications and any patent issuing thereon covering a USER Invention, the following statement:

   “The Government has rights in this invention pursuant to a User Agreement (specify number) between (USER name) and The Regents of the University of California, which manages and operates Ernest Orlando Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory for the US Department of Energy.”

6. USER agrees to submit on request periodic reports to DOE no more frequently than annually on the utilization of USER Inventions or on efforts to obtain such utilization that are being made by USER or its licensees or assignees.

7. Facilities License: USER agrees to and does hereby grant to the Government a nonexclusive, nontransferable, irrevocable, paid-up license in and to any inventions or discoveries, regardless of when conceived or actually reduced to practice or acquired by USER, which are incorporated in the User Facility as a result of this Agreement to such an extent that the User Facility is not restored to the condition existing prior to the Agreement (1) to practice or to have practiced by or for the Government at the User Facility, and (2) to transfer such licenses with the transfer of that User Facility. The acceptance or exercise by the Government of the aforesaid rights and license shall not prevent the Government at any time from contesting the enforceability, validity or scope of, or title to, any rights or patents herein licensed.

G. Invention Report and Election
USER shall furnish the Patent Counsel a written report concerning each USER Invention within six months after conception or first actual reduction to practice, whichever occurs first. If USER wishes to elect title to the Invention, a notice of election should be submitted with the report or within one year of such date of reporting.

ARTICLE X. RIGHTS IN TECHNICAL DATA***

A. Definitions

1. "Technical Data" means recorded information regardless of form or characteristic, of a scientific or technical nature. Technical Data as used herein does not include financial reports, costs analyses, and other information incidental to Agreement administration.

2. "Proprietary Data" means Technical Data which embody trade secrets developed at private expense, outside of this Agreement, such as design procedures or techniques, chemical composition of materials, or manufacturing methods, processes, or treatments, including minor modifications thereof, provided that such data:
   a. Are not generally known or available from other sources without obligation concerning their confidentiality.
   b. Have not been made available by the owner to others without obligation concerning their confidentiality, and
   c. Are not already available to the CONTRACTOR or the Government without obligation concerning their confidentiality.
   d. Are marked as “Proprietary Data.”

3. “Third Party Software” means software (including source code and object code), documentation and data employed by USER in performance of this Agreement that is commercially available and licensed from third parties, and is unmodified by USER in performance of this Agreement. Third party software may include open source software.

4. “Electronic Information” means any recorded information regardless of form or characteristic, including Technical Data, Proprietary Data and Third Party Software.

5. "Unlimited Rights" means right to use, duplicate, or disclose Technical Data, in whole or in part, in any manner and for any purpose whatsoever, and to permit others to do so.

B. Storage of User Electronic Information

1. USER is permitted by the CONTRACTOR to install Electronic Information (such as software object and source code, documentation and data for use) in performance of this Agreement on systems designated by CONTRACTOR provided that the Electronic Information (e.g., Third Party Software) is properly licensed. Likewise, USER may create such Electronic Information in the course of the Work. Any Electronic Information, which are not required to be delivered to CONTRACTOR, must be removed by the User upon completion of the Work and prior to the earlier of (1) termination of this Agreement, or (2) the end of an approved proposal period (i.e. computer time allocation) if a proposal is not renewed or extended. Any Electronic Information, including computer files, remaining at NERSC will be treated according to this Article V and Article XI as applicable. NERSC may delete any Electronic Information, including files and data, remaining at its sole discretion. Notwithstanding the foregoing, USER understands and agrees that NERSC may hold backup copies of USER and Participant Electronic Information, until the backup files are deleted or overwritten.
C. **Allocation of Rights**

1. The Government shall have Unlimited Rights in Technical Data first produced or specifically used in the performance of this Agreement, except for Third Party Software or except as otherwise provided in this Agreement.

2. USER shall have the right to use for its private purposes, subject to patent, security or other provisions of this Agreement, Technical Data it first produces in the performance of this Agreement provided the data delivery requirements of this Agreement have been met as of the date of the private use of such data; and Technical Data first produced by CONTRACTOR, if any, under this Agreement. USER agrees that to the extent it receives or is given access to Proprietary Data or other technical, business or financial data in the form of recorded information from DOE or a DOE contractor or subcontractor, USER shall treat such data in accordance with any restrictive legend contained thereon, unless use is specifically authorized by prior written approval of the DOE Contracting Officer.

C. **Deliverables**

1. USER agrees to furnish to DOE or CONTRACTOR those data, if any, which are (a) specified to be delivered in Appendices and/or approved proposals, (b) essential to the performance of Work by CONTRACTOR personnel or (c) necessary for the health and safety of such personnel in the performance of the Work. Any data furnished to DOE or CONTRACTOR shall be deemed to have been delivered with Unlimited Rights unless marked as "Proprietary Data" of USER. USER shall not mark any technical data developed under this Agreement as proprietary data.

2. Upon completion or termination of the project, USER agrees to deliver to DOE and CONTRACTOR a nonproprietary report describing the Work performed under this Agreement. Third Party Software is not included as a Deliverable.

D. **Legal Notice**

The following legal notice shall be affixed to each report or publication resulting from this Agreement which may be distributed by USER:

**DISCLAIMER NOTICE**
This document was prepared by ______________________ as a result of the use of facilities of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), which are managed by The Regents of the University of California, acting under Contract No.DE-AC02-05CH11231. Neither The Regents of the University of California DOE, the U.S. Government, nor any person acting on their behalf: (a) make any warranty or representation, express or implied, with respect to the information contained in this document; or (b) assume any liabilities with respect to the use of, or damages resulting from the use of any information contained in the document.

E. **Copyrighted Material**

1. USER agrees to, and does hereby grant to the Government, and to its officers, agents, servants and employees acting within the scope of their duties:
a. A royalty-free, nonexclusive, irrevocable license to reproduce, translate, publish, use, and dispose of and to authorize others so to do, all copyrightable material first produced or composed in the performance of this Agreement by USER, its employees or any individual or concern specifically employed or assigned to originate and prepare such material; and

b. A license as aforesaid under any and all copyrighted or copyrightable works not first produced or composed by USER in the performance of this Agreement but which are incorporated in the material furnished or delivered under the Agreement, provided that such license shall be only to the extent USER now has, or prior to completion or final settlement of the Agreement may acquire, the right to grant such license without becoming liable to pay compensation to others solely because of such grant.

2. USER agrees that it will not knowingly include any copyrightable material furnished or delivered under this Agreement without a license as provided for in subparagraph 1(b) hereof, or without the consent of the copyright owner, unless it obtains specific written approval of the DOE Contracting Officer for the inclusion of such copyrighted materials.

F. Disclosure of Proprietary Data
   The USER shall not bring Proprietary Data into the User Facility except at USER’s own risk. Any such data, regardless how it is marked, shall be deemed Technical Data and shall be treated according to this article of this Agreement.

ARTICLE XI. LABORATORY ON-SITE ACCESS, SAFETY AND HEALTH***--

As a precondition to Participant physical site access to CONTRACTOR Facilities, Participants must complete all required CONTRACTOR Site Access documents and requirements. USER and Participants shall take all reasonable precautions in activities carried out under this Agreement to protect the safety and health of others and to protect the environment. Participants on-site must comply with all applicable safety, health, access to information, security and environmental regulations and the requirements of the DOE and CONTRACTOR, including the specific requirements of the User Facility covered by this Agreement. In the event that USER or Participants fail to comply with said regulations and requirements, CONTRACTOR may, without prejudice to any other legal or contractual rights, issue an order stopping all or any part of USER’s activities at the User Facility.

ARTICLE XII. PERSONNEL RELATIONSHIPS***

Participants will remain employees or representatives of the USER at all times during their participation in the Work under this Agreement, and shall not be considered employees of CONTRACTOR or DOE for any purpose. Participants shall be subject to the administrative and technical supervision and control of CONTRACTOR during and in connection with the Participant’s activities under this Agreement.

ARTICLE XIII. CYBER SECURITY AND MANDATED CONTROLS***

A. NERSC documents policies and procedures regarding cyber security, the type of software and data that is permissible, appropriate use of NERSC systems, and recommended cyber security procedures on its website and in the NERSC Appropriate Use Policy. USER should periodically review these materials, and act in accordance. The more restrictive of NERSC policies and procedures and this document will apply.
B. USER understands and agrees that it is solely responsible for the security and protection of Electronic Information transmitted through NERSC and LBNL systems and networks or stored and processed on NERSC and LBNL computer systems. USER must evaluate the security mechanisms provided by NERSC (including operating file system permissions, account passwords and similar access controls, file backups, network security) and store only that data USER deems sufficiently protected.

C. USER acknowledges that the export of goods or Technical Data may require some form of export control license from the U.S. Government and that failure to obtain such export control license may result in criminal liability under the laws of the United States.

D. THE USE OF LBNL RESOURCES TO STORE, MANIPULATE, OR REMOTELY ACCESS CLASSIFIED INFORMATION, UNCLASSIFIED CONTROLLED NUCLEAR INFORMATION (UCNI), NAVAL NUCLEAR PROPULSION INFORMATION (NNPI), THE DESIGN OR DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR, RADIOLOGICAL, BIOLOGICAL, OR CHEMICAL WEAPONS OR OF ANY WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION IS EXPRESSLY PROHIBITED.

E. The use of NERSC and LBNL resources to store, manipulate, or remotely access information, software, or data that may affect the legal or security status of NERSC or LBNL or require additional controls, requires prior written approval from CONTRACTOR, which may be withheld at CONTRACTOR’s sole discretion. Such materials include but are not limited to export-controlled software or technical data (e.g. under EAR (Export Administration Regulations) or ITAR (International Traffic in Arms Regulations)), Personally Identifiable Information or health information (including data covered by HIPPA, the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act), and information subject to “Official Use Only” or similar governmental restrictions.

F. DOE AND LBNL SHALL HAVE THE UNRESTRICTED RIGHT TO INSPECT ALL CODES, THIRD PARTY SOFTWARE, COMPUTER FILES, ELECTRONIC INFORMATION, AND DATA TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ARTICLE AND ALL APPLICABLE LEGAL RESTRICTIONS.

ARTICLE XIV. PUBLICATIONS ***

A. USER and CONTRACTOR will provide each other copies of articles or any publication of information generated pursuant to this Agreement for review and comment 14 days prior to publication.

B. USER will not use the name of CONTRACTOR or the United States Government or their employees in any promotional activity, such as advertisements, with reference to any product or service resulting from this Agreement, without prior written approval of the Government and CONTRACTOR.

ARTICLE XV. DISPUTES***
The Parties will attempt to jointly resolve all disputes arising under this Agreement. If the Parties are unable to jointly resolve a dispute within a reasonable period of time, either Party may contact the laboratory's Technology Transfer Ombudsman (TTO) to provide assistance. The TTO may work directly to resolve the dispute or, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, contact a third party neutral mediator to
assist the Parties in coming to a resolution. The costs of the mediator's services will be shared equally by the Parties. In the event that an agreement is not reached with the aid of the ombudsman or mediator, the Parties may agree to have the dispute addressed by neutral evaluation. The decision rendered by the neutral evaluator shall be nonbinding on the Parties, and any costs incurred therefrom shall be divided equally between the Parties. Upon mutual agreement, the Parties may request a final decision by the DOE Contracting Officer. Absent resolution, either Party may seek relief in a court of competent jurisdiction.

**ARTICLE XVI. CONFLICT OF TERMS***

This Agreement constitutes the primary document which governs the Work conducted under approved proposals at User Facility. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this document and any other document issued by either Party, the terms of this document shall prevail.

**ARTICLE XVII. TERMINATION***

Either Party may terminate this Agreement for any reason at any time by giving not less than thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other Party. NERSC may also require immediate termination as provided in Article IV. Notice will be deemed made as of the day of receipt. The obligations of any clause of this Agreement, which by their nature extend beyond its termination, shall remain in full force and effect until fulfilled.

**FOR USER**

By: ____________________________
Name: __________________________
Title: __________________________
Date: __________________________

**FOR CONTRACTOR**

By: ____________________________
Name: __________________________
Title: __________________________
Date: __________________________