Intellectual Property Agreement for Montana State University Personnel

Consistent with applicable laws and regulations, Montana State University (MSU or University) is governed in the handling of intellectual property by its official policies (Board of Regents Policy §401.2, Tenure and Tenure Track Faculty CBA §15.04 and Non-Tenure Track Faculty CBA § 12.04) and personnel must agree to abide by the terms and conditions of these policies and agreements, as they may be amended from time to time.

For the purpose of implementing Board of Regent and MSU CBAs concerning intellectual property, and in consideration of employment by MSU, the receipt of remuneration from MSU, participation in sponsored research projects administered by MSU, access to or use of facilities or resources provided by MSU for such research, and/or other valuable consideration, personnel must agree to the following:

1. Disclose to MSU all potentially patentable inventions conceived or first reduced to practice in whole or in part in the course of University responsibilities or with more than incidental use of University resources in accordance with the above referenced policy and CBAs. Assign to MSU all right, title and interest in such patentable inventions and agree to execute and deliver all documents and do any and all things necessary and proper on their part to effect such assignment.

2. Place inventions in the public domain as long as in so doing neither the employee nor MSU violates the terms of any agreements that governed the work done.

3. Are under no consulting or other obligations to any third person, organization or corporation in respect to rights in inventions which are, or could be reasonably construed to be, in conflict with the agreement and will not enter into any agreement creating patent obligations in conflict with the agreement.

4. The agreement is effective on the date of signature on the Intellectual Property Agreement.

Please return the completed Intellectual Property Agreement for Montana State University Personnel form to: Technology Transfer Office PO Box 172460, 304 Montana Hall Bozeman, MT 59717. If you need a hard copy of this form, please contact the Technology Transfer Office at (406) 994-7868 or email tto@montana.edu.

Alternatively, you may submit your acknowledgement electronically by going to “My Info” from the MSU home page and entering the secure area. After login, go to the “MyApps” tab along the top, right-hand side. Click on “Intellectual Property Agreement” and accept the terms of the Intellectual Property Agreement.

Please contact the Technology Transfer Office at 994-7868 or tto@montana.edu with any questions.