

LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY

Intellectual Property Responsibility Agreement

Introduction

Louisiana Tech University adopted on November 15, 1999 University Policy 7112 "Intellectual Property Policy." This Policy, as revised on September 6, 2005, applies to all University employees, and in particular to anyone who participates in externally funded sponsored programs or utilizes University facilities and resources. Also, as described in greater detail in the Bayh-Dole Act, as codified at 35 U.S.C. §§ 200-212, and regulations promulgated thereunder (37 CFR Part 401), federal law requires the University to obtain from each professional staff member performing federally funded research a written agreement acknowledging certain of their duties. These duties include reporting and assigning inventions and cooperating in execution of all papers necessary to file patent applications. In order that the University may carry out its obligation and in consideration of my present or subsequent employment by the University or the availability to me of opportunities to perform sponsored research or use funds or facilities administered by the University, I hereby agree as follows:

1. I will report promptly to the Office of Intellectual Property and Commercialization any invention or discovery which is or may be patentable or otherwise protectable under Title 35 of the United States Code, or any novel variety of plant which is or may be protected under the Plant Variety Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 2321 et seq.) conceived or first reduced to practice in the performance of my job as required under University Policy 7112, and I do hereby assign to Louisiana Tech University all rights to any such invention or discovery.
2. I will execute all papers deemed necessary by the Office of Intellectual Property and Commercialization to file patent applications on such inventions and to establish the government's rights in such inventions.
3. I recognize that this Agreement is part of the terms of my appointment at Louisiana Tech University and that its obligations with regard to inventions developed during my tenure at Louisiana Tech University shall continue after termination of this appointment.

Signed _____

Name _____

Department _____

Date _____