

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

REGENTS COMMUNICATION

Approved by the Regents

ACTION REQUEST

July 21, 2006

Subject: Membership Agreement between the National Science Foundation Engineering Research Center for Wireless Integrated Microsystems (WIMS) at the University of Michigan and NeuroNexus Technologies

Action Requested: Authorization to enter into the Agreement

Preamble:

A statutory conflict of interest situation was identified by DRDA while reviewing the Proposal Approval Form which then triggered a review by the OVPR Conflict of Interest Review Committee. A plan for management of the possible risks associated with the conflict of interest was then developed by the Committee and agreed to by the parties involved.

This proposed agreement ("Agreement") falls under the State of Michigan Conflict of Interest Statute because Professor Daryl Kipke, Professor Emeritus David Anderson, and Dr. Jamille Hetke are employees of the University of Michigan ("University") and partial owners and officers of NeuroNexus Technologies ("NeuroNexus"). The law permits such an Agreement provided it is disclosed to the executive officers and approved in advance by a 2/3 vote of the Regents of the University of Michigan.

Background:

Drs. Daryl Kipke, Associate Professor, Biomedical Engineering, David J. Anderson, Professor Emeritus, Otorhinolaryngology, Biomedical Engineering and Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, and Jamille Hetke, Associate Research Scientist, EECS are partial owners of a for-profit, Michigan startup Corporation called NeuroNexus Technologies. NeuroNexus desires to enter into a consortium membership in the WIMS Center.

Nature of the Agreement:

The consortium is doing research in wireless integrated Microsystems. The research is generic in nature and not directed towards any single member interest including NeuroNexus.

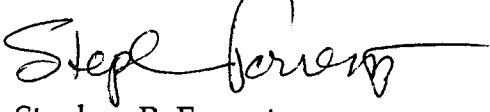
Agreement Terms:

The partnership agreement conforms to University policy. It has no specific deliverables unique to NeuroNexus.

Recommendations:

This matter has been reviewed and approved by the OVPR Conflict of Interest Review Committee. In light of this disclosure and our finding that the Agreement was negotiated in conformance with standard University practices, I recommend that the Board of Regents approve the Membership Agreement between the University and NeuroNexus Technologies.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen R. Forrest". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Stephen R. Forrest  
Vice President for Research

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