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Please replace the first page of the amendment with the attached.

1. Add to FTTA, section 3710 (b)(2):

grant or agree to grant in advance, to a collaborating party, patent licenses or assignments, or options thereto, in any invention made in whole or in part by a laboratory employee under the agreement ***or to a federally-owned invention*** ... (new language emphasized.

2. Delete Section 209, P.L. 96-517, as amended, and insert in lieu thereof:

Section 209 Licensing federally owned inventions

(a) Any federal agency may grant exclusive or partially exclusive licenses on federally owned inventions when such actions are reasonable and necessary incentives to call forth the investment capital and expenditures needed to bring the invention to practical application or otherwise promote the invention's utilization to the public.

(b) In making determinations to grant exclusive or partially exclusive licenses, the federal agency shall also consider that the public will be served by such licenses in view of the applicant's intentions, plans, and ability to bring the invention to practical applications or otherwise promote the invention's use by the public.

(c) A Federal agency shall not grant such exclusive licenses under this subsection if it determines that the grant of such licenses will tend to substantially lessen competition or to create or maintain other situations inconsistent with the antitrust laws.

(d) In making such determinations, the federal agency shall normally grant the right to use or sell the invention only to a licensee that agrees that any products embodying the invention or produced through the use of the invention will be manufactured substantially in the United States.

(e) First preference in granting exclusive or partially licensing of federally owned inventions shall go to small business firms having equal likelihood as other applicants to bring the invention to practical application within a reasonable time.

(f) After consideration of whether the interests of the Federal Government, the public interest, or those of United States industry in foreign commerce will be enhanced, any Federal agency may grant exclusive or partially exclusive licenses in any invention covered by a foreign patent application or patent unless it determines that the grant of such licenses will tend to substantially lessen competition, or create or maintain other situations inconsistent with antitrust laws.

(g) The Federal agency shall maintain a record of determinations to grant exclusive or partially exclusive licenses.

(h) Any grant of a license shall contain such terms and conditions as the Federal agency determines appropriate for the protection of the interests of the Federal Government and the public, including provisions for the following:

(1) periodic reporting on the utilization or efforts at obtaining utilization that are being made by the licensee of the invention: *Provided,* That any such information shall be