MEMORANDUM

TO: Wayne State University Colleagues

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SUBJECT: Compliance with Federal Export Control Regulations

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The Federal government has become increasingly concerned with national and economic security. Therefore, they are enforcing Export Control Regulations in every realm, including academe. This set of regulations prohibits disclosure of certain information, as well as the transfer of technology and products to, certain persons or entities whether on U.S. soil (“deemed exports”) or abroad. They may apply to a variety of research and other activities at Wayne State University. It is WSU’s policy to comply fully and completely with all United States export control laws and regulations. Furthermore, all employees, faculty, visiting scientists, postdoctoral fellows, students, and other persons retained by or working at or for WSU must conduct their affairs in accordance with these laws.

In an effort to assist University personnel in complying with these laws, the Vice President for Research has established an Export Control Office within the Research Compliance department. We have developed a number of resources, which are posted on the Export Control website (http://www.research.wayne.edu/export-control/index.php). Even though these laws may appear to conflict with the University’s tradition of academic freedom, they carry severe criminal and civil penalties for noncompliance by individuals and the Institution. Therefore, it is imperative that all members of the Wayne State University community familiarize themselves with these Export Control Regulations and understand their responsibility to determine when these laws apply to their research and other activities. Please avail yourselves of the resources available on the Export Control website, and contact the Export Control Office if you have further questions.