

K3A. RIGHTS IN DATA—GENERAL (52.227-14) (JUN 1987), ALTERNATE IV (JUN 1987), ALTERNATE VII (FEB 1998) AND 927.409 (a)(1) (Applicable to Domestic Small Business and Non-Profit Organizations)

(a) Definitions.

(1) Computer data bases, as used in this clause, means a collection of data in a form capable of, and for the purpose of, being stored in, processed and operated on by a computer. The term does not include computer software.

(2) Computer software, as used in this clause, means (i) computer programs which are data comprising a series of instructions, rules, routines, or statements, regardless of the media in which recorded, that allow or cause a computer to perform a specific operation or series of operations and (ii) data comprising source code listings, design details, algorithms, processes, flow charts, formulae, and related material that would enable the computer program to be produced, created, or compiled. The term does not include computer databases.

(3) Data, as used in this clause, means recorded information, regardless of form or the media on which it may be recorded. The term includes technical data and computer software. For the purposes of this clause, the term does not include software incidental to the administration of this Subcontract, such as financial, administrative, cost and pricing, or management information.

(4) Form, fit, and function data, as used in this clause, means data relating to items, components, or processes that are sufficient to enable physical and functional interchangeability, as well as data identifying source, size, configuration, mating, and attachment characteristics, functional characteristics, and performance requirements; except that for computer software it means data identifying source, functional characteristics, and performance requirements but specifically excludes the source code, algorithm, process, formulae, and flow charts of the software.

(5) Limited rights data, as used in this clause, means data, other than computer software, developed at private expense that embody trade secrets or are commercial or financial and confidential or privileged.

(6) Restricted computer software, as used in this clause, means computer software developed at private expense that embody trade secrets or are commercial or financial and confidential or privileged. The Government's right to use, duplicate, or disclose restricted computer software are as set forth in the Restricted Rights Notice of subparagraph (g) (3) of this section if included in this clause.

(7) Technical data, as used in this clause, means recorded data, regardless of form or characteristic, that are of a scientific or technical nature. Technical data does not include computer software, but does include manuals and instructional materials and technical data formatted as a computer database.

(8) Unlimited rights, as used in this clause, means the rights of the Government to use, disclose, reproduce, prepare derivative works, distribute copies to the public, including by electronic means, and perform publicly and display publicly, in any manner, including by electronic means, and for any purpose whatsoever, and to have or permit others to do so.

(b) Allocation of rights. (1) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this clause regarding copyright, the Government shall have unlimited rights in--

(i) Data first produced in the performance of this Subcontract;

(ii) Form, fit, and function data delivered under this Subcontract;

(iii) Data delivered under this subcontract (except for restricted computer software) that constitute manuals or instructional and training material for installation, operation, or routine maintenance and repair of items, components, or processes delivered or furnished for use under this Subcontract; and

(iv) All other data delivered under this subcontract unless provided otherwise for limited rights data or restricted computer software in accordance with paragraph (g) of this clause.

(2) The Subcontractor shall have the right to--

(i) Use, release to others, reproduce, distribute, or publish any data first produced or specifically used by the Subcontractor in the performance of this subcontract, (except Restricted Data in category C-24, 10 CFR Part 725, in which DOE has reserved the right to receive reasonable compensation for the use of its inventions and discoveries, including related data and technology) unless provided otherwise in paragraph (d) of this clause;

(ii) Protect from unauthorized disclosure and use those data which are limited rights data or restricted computer software to the extent provided in paragraph (g) of this clause;

(iii) Substantiate use of, add or correct limited rights, restricted rights, or copyright notices and to take other appropriate action, in accordance with paragraphs (e) and (f) of this clause; and

(iv) Establish claim to copyright subsisting in data first produced in the performance of this contract to the extent provided in subparagraph (c)(1) of this clause.

(c) Copyright.

(1) Data first produced in the performance of the Subcontract. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Subcontract, the Subcontractor may establish claim to copyright subsisting in any data first produced in the performance of this Subcontract. When claim to copyright is made, the Subcontractor shall affix the applicable copyright notice of 17 U.S.C. 401 or 402 and acknowledgment of Government sponsorship (including contract number) to the data when such data are delivered to Princeton, as well as when the data are published or deposited for registration as a published work in the U.S. Copyright Office. For data other than computer software, the Subcontractor grants to the Government, and others acting on its behalf, a paid-up, nonexclusive, irrevocable, worldwide license for all such data to reproduce, prepare derivative works, distribute copies to the public, and perform publicly and display publicly, by or on behalf of the Government. For computer software, the Subcontractor grants to the Government and others acting on its behalf, a paid up, nonexclusive, irrevocable worldwide license for all such computer software to reproduce, prepare derivative works, and perform publicly and display publicly, by or on behalf of the Government.

(2) Data not first produced in the performance of this subcontract. The Subcontractor shall not, without prior written permission of the Contracting Officer, incorporate in data delivered under this subcontract any data not first produced in the performance of this subcontract and which contains the copyright notice of 17 U.S.C. 401 or 402, unless the Subcontractor identifies such data and grants to the Government, or acquires on its behalf, a license of the same scope as set forth in subparagraph (c)(1) of this clause; provided, however, that if such data are computer software the Government shall acquire a copyright license as set forth in subparagraph (g)(3) of this clause if included in this subcontract or as otherwise may be provided in a collateral agreement incorporated in or made part of this subcontract.

(3) Removal of copyright notices. The Government agrees not to remove any copyright notices placed on data pursuant to this paragraph (c), and to include such notices on all reproductions of the data.

(d) Release, publication and use of data.

(1) The Subcontractor shall have the right to use, release to others, reproduce, distribute, or publish any data first produced or specifically used by the Subcontractor in the performance of this subcontract, except to the extent such data may be subject to the Federal export control or national security laws or regulations, or unless otherwise provided in this paragraph of this clause or expressly set forth in this subcontract.

(2) The Subcontractor agrees that to the extent it receives or is given access to data necessary for the performance of this subcontract which contain restrictive markings, the Subcontractor shall treat the data in accordance with such markings unless otherwise specifically authorized in writing by the Contracting Officer.

(3) The Subcontractor agrees not to assert copyright in computer software first produced in the performance of this subcontract without prior written permission of the DOE Patent Counsel assisting the contracting activity. When such permission is granted, the Patent Counsel shall specify appropriate terms, conditions, and submission requirements to assure utilization, dissemination, and commercialization of the data. The Subcontractor, when requested, shall promptly deliver to Patent Counsel a duly executed and approved instrument fully confirmatory of all rights to which the Government is entitled.

(e) Unauthorized marking of data.

(1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Subcontract concerning inspection or acceptance, if any data delivered under this Subcontract are marked with the notices specified in subparagraph (g)(2) or (g)(3) of this clause and use of such is not authorized by this clause, or if such data bears any other restrictive or limiting markings not authorized by this subcontract, the Contracting Officer may at any time either return the data to the Subcontractor, or cancel or ignore the markings. However, the following procedures shall apply prior to canceling or ignoring the markings:

(i) The Contracting Officer shall make written inquiry to the Subcontractor affording the Subcontractor 30 days from receipt of the inquiry to provide written justification to substantiate the propriety of the markings;

(ii) If the Subcontractor fails to respond or fails to provide written justification to substantiate the propriety of the markings within the 30-day period (or a longer time not exceeding 90 days approved in writing by the Contracting Officer for good cause shown), the Government shall have the right to cancel or ignore the markings at any time after said period and the data will no longer be made subject to any disclosure prohibitions.

(iii) If the Subcontractor provides written justification to substantiate the propriety of the markings within the period set in subdivision (e)(1)(i) of this clause, the Contracting Officer shall consider such written justification and determine whether or not the markings are to be canceled or ignored. If the Contracting Officer determines that the markings are authorized, the Contractor shall be so notified in writing. If the Contracting Officer determines, with concurrence of the head of the contracting activity, that the markings are not authorized, the Contracting Officer shall furnish the

Subcontractor a written determination, which determination shall become the final agency decision regarding the appropriateness of the markings unless the Subcontractor files suit in a court of competent jurisdiction within 90 days of receipt of the Contracting Officer's decision. The Government shall continue to abide by the markings under this subdivision (e)(1)(iii) until final resolution of the matter either by the Contracting Officer's determination becoming final (in which instance the Government shall thereafter have the right to cancel or ignore the markings at any time and the data will no longer be made subject to any disclosure prohibitions), or by final disposition of the matter by court decision if suit is filed.

(2) The time limits in the procedures set forth in subparagraph (e)(1) of this clause may be modified in accordance with agency regulations implementing the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) if necessary to respond to a request there under.

(3) This paragraph (e) does not apply if this contract is for a major system or for support of a major system by a civilian agency other than NASA and the U.S. Coast Guard agency subject to the provisions of Title III of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949.

(4) Except to the extent the Government's action occurs as the result of final disposition of the matter by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Subcontractor is not precluded by this paragraph (e) from bringing a claim under the Contract Disputes Act, including pursuant to the Disputes clause of this subcontract, as applicable, that may arise as the result of the Government removing or ignoring authorized markings on data delivered under this subcontract.

(f) Omitted or incorrect markings.

(1) Data delivered to the Government without either the limited rights or restricted rights notice as authorized by paragraph (g) of this clause, or the copyright notice required by paragraph (c) of this clause, shall be deemed to have been furnished with unlimited rights, and the Government assumes no liability for the disclosure, use, or reproduction of such data. However, to the extent the data has not been disclosed without restriction outside the Government, the Subcontractor may request, within 6 months (or a longer time approved by the Contracting Officer for good cause shown) after delivery of such data, permission to have notices placed on qualifying data at the Subcontractor's expense, and the Contracting Officer may agree to do so if the Subcontractor--

(i) Identifies the data to which the omitted notice is to be applied;

(ii) Demonstrates that the omission of the notice was inadvertent;

(iii) Establishes that the use of the proposed notice is authorized; and

(iv) Acknowledges that the Government has no liability with respect to the disclosure, use, or reproduction of any such data made prior to the addition of the notice or resulting from the omission of the notice.

(2) The Contracting Officer may also (i) permit correction at the Subcontractor's expense of incorrect notices if the Subcontractor identifies the data on which correction of the notice is to be made, and demonstrates that the correct notice is authorized, or (ii) correct any incorrect notices.

(g) Protection of limited rights data and restricted computer software.

(1) When data other than that listed in subdivisions (b)(1)(i), (ii), and (iii) of this clause are specified to be delivered under this contract and qualify as either limited rights data or restricted computer software, if the Subcontractor desires to continue protection of such data, the Subcontractor shall withhold such data and not furnish them to the Government under this subcontract. As a condition to this withholding, the Subcontractor shall identify the data being withheld and furnish form, fit, and function data in lieu thereof. Limited rights data that are formatted as a computer database for delivery to the Government are to be treated as limited rights data and not restricted computer software.

(2) Reserved.

(3) Reserved.

(h) Lower Tier Subcontracting. The Subcontractor has the responsibility to obtain from its lower tier subcontractors all data and rights therein necessary to fulfill the Subcontractor's obligations to the Government under this subcontract. If a lower tier subcontractor refuses to accept terms affording the Government such rights, the Subcontractor shall promptly bring such refusal to the attention of the Contracting Officer and not proceed with lower tier subcontract award without further authorization.

(i) Relationship to patents. Nothing contained in this clause shall imply a license to the Government under any patent or be construed as affecting the scope of any license or other right otherwise granted to the Government.

(j) The Subcontractor agrees, except as may be otherwise specified in this Subcontract for specific data items listed as not subject to this paragraph, that the Contracting Officer or an authorized representative may, up to three years after acceptance of all items to be delivered under this Subcontract, inspect at the Subcontractor's facility any data withheld pursuant to paragraph (g)(1) of this clause, for purposes of verifying the Subcontractor's assertion pertaining to the limited rights or

restricted rights status of the data or for evaluating work performance. Where the Subcontractor whose data are to be inspected demonstrates to the Contracting Officer that there would be a possible conflict of interest if the inspection were made by a particular representative, the Contracting Officer shall designate an alternate inspector.

K5. Patent Indemnity (APR 1984)

- (a) The Contractor shall indemnify Princeton and the Government and their officers, agents, and employees against liability, including costs, for infringement of any United States patent (except a patent issued upon an application that is now or may hereafter be withheld from issue pursuant to a Secrecy Order under 35 U.S.C. 181) arising out of the manufacture or delivery of supplies, the performance of services, or the construction, alteration, modification, or repair of real property (hereinafter referred to as "construction work") under this Subcontract, or out of the use or disposal by or for the account of the Government of such supplies or construction work.
- (b) This indemnity shall not apply unless the Subcontractor shall have been informed as soon as practicable by Princeton of the suit or action alleging such infringement and shall have been given such opportunity as is afforded by applicable laws, rules, or regulations to participate in its defense. Further, this indemnity shall not apply to --
 - (1) An infringement resulting from compliance with specific written instructions of Princeton directing a change in the supplies to be delivered or in the materials or equipment to be used, or directing a manner of performance of the Subcontract not normally used by the Subcontractor;
 - (2) An infringement resulting from addition to or change in supplies or components furnished or construction work performed that was made subsequent to delivery or performance; or
 - (3) A claimed infringement that is unreasonably settled without the consent of the Subcontractor, unless required by final decree of a court of competent jurisdiction.