AGREEMENT TO EXTEND THE **COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN**

THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND TECHNOLOGY AND

THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED INDUSTRIAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR COOPERATION IN THE FIELDS OF METROLOGY AND MEASUREMENT STANDARDS

The National Institute of Standards and Technology and the National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"),

In view of the continuing need for cooperation.

Have agreed as follow:

- 1. The Cooperation Agreement signed by the Parties on July 17, 2001, will continue to function separately from the U.S. – Japan Science and Technology Agreement renewed on July 19, 2004,
- 2. The period of validity of the existing Cooperation Agreement shall be extended for five years from the date of last signature,
- 3. The existing Cooperation Agreement may be modified or extended further by written agreement of the Parties.

Signatory for the National Institute of Standards and Technology:	Signatory for the National Institute of the Advanced Industrial Science and Technology:
William Jeffrey Dr. William Jeffrey NIST Director	Prof. Hiroyuki Yoshikawa, Dr. Eng AIST President
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