AUTHORIZATION AND CONSENT (Jul 1995)

(a) The Government authorizes and consents to all use and manufacture, in performing this subcontract at any tier of any invention described in and covered by a United States patent (1) embodied in the structure or composition of any article the delivery of which is accepted by the Government under this subcontract or (2) used in machinery, tools, or methods whose use necessarily result from compliance by the Seller or a subcontractor with (i) specifications or written provisions forming a part of this subcontract or (ii) specific written instructions given by the Company directing the manner of performance. The entire liability to the Government or the Company for infringement of a patent of the United States shall be determined solely by the provisions of the indemnity clause if any, included in the subcontract or any subcontract hereunder (including any lower-tier subcontract), and the Government assumes liability for all other infringement to the extent of the authorization and consent hereinabove granted.

(b) The Seller agrees to include, and require inclusion of, this clause, suitably modified to identify the parties, in all subcontracts at any tier for supplies or services (including construction, architect-engineer services, and materials, supplies, models, samples, and design or testing services expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold); however, omission of this clause from any subcontract, including those at or below the simplified acquisition threshold, does not affect this authorization and consent.