

RE: Submission of Written “Pledge” to Prevent Improprieties
Pertaining to Public Research Fund
(Request)

The National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (hereinafter “AIST”) is implementing measures to prevent misconduct regarding contracts, etc., for public research fund in compliance with the “Guidelines for Management and Audit of Public Research Fund at Research Institutes (Implementation Standards)” (Adopted on February 15, 2007 by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology).

In order to prevent misconduct, it is imperative to have the understanding and cooperation from not only AIST (which places orders to purchase goods, etc.) but also each and every business partner that accepts orders and makes deliveries, etc., to AIST.

In doing business with AIST in the future, we hope that we will have your full understanding of the intent of the Attachment entitled “Special Notes for Contracting with AIST” and that you will provide us with your written pledge.

You will notice that there is no expiration date set on the pledge, which means that you only need to submit it once. Please submit it to one of the AIST Tsukuba offices at the AIST Tsukuba Center or to one of the regional bases.

You are kindly reminded to make sure that the submission, if made in the name of a general manager of a branch office or in the name of a sales office, is within the scope of authority delegated by the main office.