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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Members, Governing Board  
California Institute for Regenerative Medicine

**From:** James C. Harrison

**Date:** October 12, 2011

**Re:** Recommendation from Intellectual Property Subcommittee Regarding its Mission Statement (Our File No.: 2297-0)

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At its June 23, 2011 meeting, the Board adopted a mission statement for the Intellectual Property Subcommittee and appointed Steve Juelsgaard as the Chair of the Subcommittee. The Subcommittee held its first meeting on August 24, 2011, and discussed amending its mission statement to: (1) refine the description of the Subcommittee's duties; (2) incorporate industry engagement, including the loan program, within the scope of the Subcommittee's jurisdiction; and (3) modify the Subcommittee's leadership structure to designate Duane Roth as Co-Chair with responsibility for issues relating to industry engagement. The Subcommittee requested that staff draft these amendments and present them to the Subcommittee at its next meeting.

On September 27, 2011, the Subcommittee considered the proposed amendments to its mission statement and recommended them to the Board for its approval by a vote of 6-0. The proposed amendments are reflected in track changes in the attachment.

Attachment

## **Intellectual Property and Industry Engagement Subcommittee Mission Statement**

**Membership of Subcommittee:** Eight to eleven members of the Governing Board.

**Mission of Subcommittee:** The Intellectual Property and Industry Engagement Subcommittee will work, in consultation with CIRM staff, to develop intellectual property policies and regulations and to engage industry as a partner in order to advance CIRM's mission and to protect the interests of the State of California in CIRM-funded research. The Subcommittee's jurisdiction includes (1) establishing intellectual property standards that balance the opportunity of the State of California to benefit from the patents, royalties and licenses that result from basic research, therapy development, and clinical trials with the need to assure that essential medical research and resulting therapy development are not unreasonably hindered by the standards; (2) considering the intellectual property implications of CIRM's collaborations with other countries, states, foundations and other strategic partners as well as approaches to assist CIRM grantees in protecting intellectual property generated from CIRM-funded research and development; (3) evaluating state and federal legislation and administrative and judicial decisions relating to intellectual property matters and advising the Legislative Subcommittee on legislative issues; (4) developing and refining policies to encourage industry involvement in CIRM-funded research and development programs, including encouraging participation by industry representatives as scientific members of CIRM's Grants Working Group; and (5) considering and refining CIRM's loan program and other financing issues related to industry engagement.

**Subcommittee Meetings:** Approximately quarterly, or more often as determined by the Co-Chairs of the Subcommittee, in coordination with the Chair of the Board.