

**AGREEMENT TO AMEND AND EXTEND
THE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF STANDARDS AND
TECHNOLOGY,
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND
THE CSIR, OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA,
A BODY CORPORATE ESTABLISHED IN TERMS OF THE
SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH COUNCIL ACT, 1988**

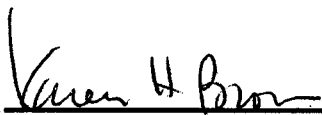
In accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of the Agreement between the National Institute of Standards and Technology (KIST), of the Department of Commerce, of the United States of America, and the CSIR, of the Republic of South Africa (hereinafter referred to as the "Parties") which the Parties signed in Gaithersburg on the 23^d day of July 1996 (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") and in view of the continuing need for the Agreement, the Parties agree as follows:

The effective date of the Agreement is hereby extended for a period of five years from the date of the full execution of this Agreement to Amend and Extend.

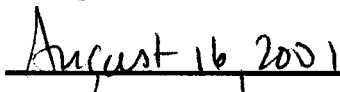
All other terms and conditions of the Agreement remain the same.

This Agreement to Amend and Extend shall enter into force on the date of the last signature.

For the National Institute of Standards
Africa and Technology, Department of
Commerce, United States of America

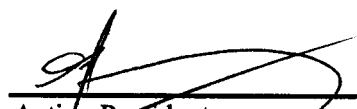


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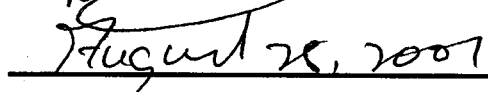


Date

For the CSIR, Republic of South



Acting President



Date