

## *Declaration*

By signing below, I represent that, to the best of my knowledge, the following statements are true:

1. I have not willingly misrepresented, and I will not willingly misrepresent, the ownership of or my authority to practice any intellectual property required to practice the technology necessary to execute my business plan.
2. If at any time during the award period the status of any intellectual property required to practice the technology necessary to execute my business plan changes, I will notify the U.S. Department of Energy of the change(s) within a reasonable amount of time. The term "status" includes, but is not limited to, the scope of any intellectual property required to practice the technology; the ownership of any intellectual property required to practice the technology; and my authority to practice any intellectual property required to practice the technology.
3. Each owner of the intellectual property referenced within my business plan is aware that our team/company intends to practice that intellectual property to compete in the DOE-sponsored Cleantech UP Business Plan Competitions.
4. I understand that if our company or any representative of our company is found to violate these declarations, then the company will be disqualified from the DOE-sponsored Cleantech UP Business Plan Competition.
5. I understand that the DOE or affiliated competitions may withhold payment of the cash awards under the DOE-sponsored Cleantech UP Competitions until the company has fully executed the necessary licenses to the intellectual property with each owner.

Date:

Signature:

Name (print):

Company Name:

Title (Position)\*:

\* Note: This declaration should be signed by the CEO or most senior company representative.