

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDRSTANDING
between
Houston Advanced Research Center
and
Institute of Technology of Saltillo**

Whereas. the Institute of Technology of Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico (the "Institute") is a technical institute offering a variety of engineering degrees.

The institute aims to prepare professionals with a high level of knowledge in science and technology in order to obtain high quality products and research;

Whereas the Institute is interested in furthering its research efforts is key areas of science;

Whereas the Houston Advanced Research Center (HARC) is a nonprofit research and development organization dedicated to linking science and technology to the marketplace;

Whereas, HARC is developing international programs for research and technology in support of business and industry; and

Whereas HARC's Materials Science Research Center (MSRC) has played a key role in photochemical degradation of toxic wastes and CVD thin film diamond research.

It is therefore useful that HARC and the Institute should work collaboratively to enhance the opportunities for each organization in research, technology and technology transfer We, therefore, agree to further explore collaboration in the following areas:

- 1) The photochemical degradation of toxic wastes and cost effective minimization of toxic waste streams.
- 2) The development of novel materials for special metallurgical applications including CVD diamonds.
- 3) Other areas of research that may be mutually beneficial to the parties hereto.

An outline of proposed activities will be formulated by the interested parties. If it is mutually agreed upon that a formal agreement should be entered into, then the matter will be put forth before our Board of Directors for action.

EXECUTED this 37 ST day of January .1992.

Institute of Technology of Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico BY: Title:	Houston Advance Research Center The Woodlands, Texas BY: Vice President for Research
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