Membership Memorandum of Understanding

Version June, 2021

This Membership Memorandum of Understanding is by and between the Smart Manufacturing Leadership Coalition (“SMLC”), a 501(c) (6) non-profit corporation registered in the District of Columbia and operating as the Smart Manufacturing Leadership Consortium program and

The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama, for and on behalf of The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH) ___________________________________________ (“Member”).

To remain in good standing, the Member will be active participants in activities as outlined in Exhibit 2 and to propose new activities.

The Smart Manufacturing Leadership Consortium is operated as a program administered by the Smart Manufacturing Leadership Coalition (SMLC) with the support of SMLC staff and its established procedures and capabilities. It is headed by a Managing Director who manages strategic operations under guidance from the Strategic Advisory Council and direction of the SMLC Board of Directors. Each Smart Manufacturing Leadership Consortium Member (as described in Exhibit 1), while a Member-in-Good-Standing (as defined below), may serve on the Strategic Advisory Council.

The Smart Manufacturing Leadership Consortium membership is open to all industrial organizations, academic institutions, non-profit organizations and governmental agencies interested in furthering member defined interests. Membership fees are waived until May 21, 2022.

Any Intellectual Property (“IP”) or Proprietary Information shared or developed between members shall be considered “outside” of the Consortium and its activities. The Parties agree and expect that results of Consortium Activities shall be published or otherwise made publicly available unless confidentiality is an attribute of a specific program or agreed upon by the Member and SMLC.

Parties engaged in Consortium Activities are permitted to present at symposia, national or regional professional meetings and to publish in journals unless it infringes on owned IP. Smart Manufacturing Leadership Coalition and/or Smart Manufacturing Leadership Consortium Members may negotiate and implement a more restrictive public disclosure agreement than defined above for a specific activity based on the need for extended non-disclosure by the members.
This Membership Memorandum of Understanding is not intended by the Parties to create or constitute a joint venture, partnership, trust, association taxable as a corporation or other formal business organization of any kind. This Membership Memorandum of Understanding is not intended to create any rights or obligations other than those expressly stated herein. The Parties are independent contractors, and the employees of one shall not be deemed to be employees of any other. Nothing in this Membership Memorandum of Understanding shall be construed as providing for the sharing of profits or losses arising out of the efforts of the Parties.

No Party shall use the Proprietary Information of any Party or Member received under this Membership Memorandum of Understanding for any activity other than the performance of Smart Manufacturing Leadership Consortium Activities, and not in any other activity.

All inquiries should be sent to the address as listed below:

Organization:
Smart Manufacturing Leadership Consortium
1725 I ST, NW
SUITE 300
WASHINGTON, DC 20006
Attn: Dan Nagy, Managing Director

Organization designates the person listed in Exhibit 1 as the Organization’s participant and point of contact with Smart Manufacturing Leadership Coalition on membership matters. Each Party reserves the right to change their designated contact person above and in Exhibit 1 by written notice to the other Party as provided in this Section.

The Parties below have caused this Membership Memorandum of Understanding to be executed.

The University of Alabama in Huntsville

Signature: _________________________
Name: Gloria W. Greene, MA, CRA
Title: Assistant VP., Contracts and Grants
Date: 10 June 2021

Smart Manufacturing Leadership Coalition

Signature: _________________________
Name: Dan Nagy
Title: Managing Director
Date: _________________________
ENROLLMENT AND POINT OF CONTACT

Please complete the following point of contact information for your organization. This person(s) should be an active participant in the SMLC.

1. Participant Contact Information:

   Name: Joe Paxton
   Title: Director, Office for Operational Excellence
   Address: 301 Sparkman Drive, VBH D13, Huntsville AL 35899
   Phone: 256-824-4284
   Email: joe.paxton@uah.edu

   (PLEASE ADD ADDITIONAL LINES FOR MULTIPLE PARTICIPANTS)
   Name: Gloria Greene
   Title: Assistant Vice President, Contracts and Grants
   Address: 301 Sparkman Drive, VBH E26, Huntsville, AL 35899
   Phone: 256-824-2657
   Email: greeneg@uah.edu

2. Member’s Annual Enrollment Date: 6/10/2021

Please note that all new members will receive the AMI Consolidator Newsletter that will include current SMLC activities. Members are also welcome to submit articles and news for publication.
EXHIBIT 2

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS AND FEES

Smart Manufacturing Leadership Consortium Members are entitled to access all of the benefits summarized below. Membership fees until May 31, 2022 are “no charge” as described below, and subsequent year fees are determined by the SMLC membership. Membership fees collected are used exclusively for the benefit of Smart Manufacturing Leadership Consortium member programs.

1. Membership Benefits
   (a) Create and join Smart Manufacturing Leadership Coalition projects.
   (b) Create and join roundtable discussions and strategic interest groups. Areas of interest may include the following:
       • Readiness assessment
       • Digital technology implementation
       • Driving organizational change
       • Structuring vendor partnerships
   (c) Attend regular Smart Manufacturing Leadership Coalition meetings, workshops, and webinars. Topics of discussion may include the following:
       • Projects and working groups dissemination of information
       • Education and workforce development
       • Sharing best practices
   (d) Participate in working groups to influence manufacturing policy and standards development
   (e) Access to technology integration assistance “guru” program. A separate fee may apply and is not included in the first year “free membership”.
   (f) Access to education and workforce certification programs. A separate fee may apply and is not included in the first year “free membership”.
   (g) Other activities as defined by the membership.

2. Membership: No charge until May 31, 2022
   (a) As an introductory offer, membership until May 31, 2022 in the SMLC is “no charge”.
   (b) Based on recommendation from the Strategic Advisory Council, the SMLC Board of Directors will set the annual membership fees beginning June 1, 2022.

3. Donations
   (a) Smart Manufacturing Leadership Coalition is a 501 (c6) non-profit. Contributions to the organization are tax deductible and applied directly to support Smart Manufacturing Leadership Consortium activities.