

CIVCO MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS CO., INC. NON-CONFIDENTIAL
OUTSIDE SUBMISSION AGREEMENT

Thank you for your recent inquiry regarding the possible interest of CIVCO in your idea.

CIVCO is always happy to receive and review ideas relative to its products and operations from other businesses and from persons not in its employ.

However, your idea may have been suggested by others, disclosed in prior literature or patents, already considered by us, or may become known to us independently of your disclosure due to a future publication, use, or discovery. In order that there be no misunderstandings later, we agree to review your idea under the condition that you agree no obligations or liabilities will be imposed on CIVCO other than from valid patents and copyrights. *In particular, no confidential relationship is being created between you and CIVCO.*

We prefer that you protect your idea prior to disclosure to us by obtaining an issued patent on it. If you have done so, you may submit your patented idea by sending a copy of your patent. If your idea is covered by a pending patent application, you may send a copy of the patent application, but we ask that you do not inform us of its serial number, filing date or claims (if published, then you may send the entire, published application).

Your non-patented disclosure may consist of a description of the idea and a sketch; no elaborate drawing is necessary. If the idea has been embodied in a prototype, a photograph will serve.

Please realize that it is necessary for us to retain a full record of your disclosure in our files and that we have the right to destroy or otherwise dispose of our files if it should become necessary or desirable for us to do so, and for this reason we cannot return your disclosure to you.

Further, in consideration of our review of your idea, CIVCO will have an exclusive option for one sixty (60) days from the date of your signature below to purchase or receive a license to use your idea on your terms. During this time, you agree to render all reasonable assistance to and cooperate with CIVCO in completing its review as expeditiously as possible.

If you desire us to consider your idea under the above conditions as well as with the understanding that this represents our entire agreement, please sign below. We strongly recommend that you discuss the meaning and legal effects of this agreement with a licensed patent attorney prior to signing.

Some of those who have ideas prefer to present them to us personally. However, we recommend that you mail the disclosure to us along with this signed agreement before going to the expense of coming to our facility or before inviting us to observe a prototype.

Upon receiving your response, we will carefully review your disclosure and advise you promptly if we wish to pursue this matter further. Likewise, if we do not, we will promptly notify you with a simple statement to that effect since we have found from experience that a statement of specific reasons for our decision has in some cases resulted in disagreement and ill-will.

We appreciate your interest in giving us the opportunity to commercially utilize your idea and look forward to hearing from you.

Signed at the City of _____, State of _____,
this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Submitter

Printed Name of Person Signing on Behalf of Submitter: _____

Title _____