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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Change of Publication Manner for Invention Licenses

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Currently, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) publishes notices of prospective exclusive, co-exclusive, or partially-exclusive domestic or foreign licenses of Government-owned inventions in the **Federal Register**. VA is announcing that it will begin publishing such notices at the Federal Laboratory Consortium for Technology Transfer (FLC) Business website (<http://www.federallabs.org/licenses-list>), providing opportunity for filing written objections within at least a 15-day period.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i) and (b)(1)(i), an exclusive, co-exclusive, or partially-exclusive foreign license, may be granted on Government owned inventions only if notice of a prospective license has been published in the **Federal Register** or other appropriate manner, providing opportunity for filing written objections within at least a 15-day period. VA provides notice that it will publish future notices of prospective exclusive, co-exclusive, or partially-exclusive domestic or foreign licenses on FLC Business website (<http://www.federallabs.org/licenses-list>), providing opportunity for filing written objections within at least a 15-day period.

### Signing Authority

The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, or designee, approved this document and authorized the undersigned to sign and submit the document to the Office of the Federal Register for publication electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Robert L. Wilkie, Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, approved this document on September 5, 2019, for publication.

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