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CRADA Title: Improved Battery Pack Thermal Management to Reduce Cost and Increase

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Parties to the Agreement: Creare Incorporated

Joint Work Statement Funding Table Showing DOE Commitment:

Estimated Costs	NREL Shared Resources
Year 1	\$ 00.00
Year 2	\$ 00.00
Year 3	\$ 00.00
TOTALS	\$ 00.00

Abstract of CRADA Work:

Under this CRADA NREL will support Creare's project for the Department of Energy entitled "Improved Battery Pack Thermal Management to Reduce Cost and Increase Energy Density" which involves the development of an air-flow based cooling product that increases energy density, safety, and reliability of hybrid electric vehicle battery packs.

Summary of Research Results:

NREL and Creare performed analysis to establish battery thermal management system requirements for various electric drive vehicle battery packs utilizing low cost Li-ion pouch cell technology. Creare developed and demonstrated a prototype *CrossFlow* air-cooling technology reducing battery pack volume, mass, and peak temperatures experienced by the battery cells, enabling greater performance and lifetime from the battery.

Subject Inventions Listing: None

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