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# INTEGRAL AD SCIENCE HOLDING CORP.

# WHISTLEBLOWER POLICY

#### **PURPOSE**

Integral Ad Science Holding Corp. and its subsidiaries (the "Company") is dedicated to conducting business with fairness, integrity, honesty and ethics and encourages behavior that will maintain the public's confidence and trust in its operations.

To help meet these expectations and to further the objectives of Sections 301(4)(B) and 806 of the Sarbanes- Oxley Act of 2002, the Audit Committee of the Company's Board of Directors (the "Board") has adopted this Whistleblower Policy (this "Policy") outlining the policy and procedures for receipt, retention and treatment of complaints regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters, the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of the Company of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters (as further defined below, "Inappropriate Conduct"), and to alert the Audit Committee to possible problems before they have serious consequences to the Company.

## **OVERVIEW OF POLICY**

This Policy applies to all directors, officers, employees, independent contractors and consultants of the Company ("Covered Persons").

Inappropriate Conduct may include, but is not limited to:

- Accounting and Auditing Matters: Irregular accounting methods, financial reporting practices or auditing conduct, including fraud or deliberate error in the preparation, evaluation, review or audit of any financial statement of the Company; fraud or deliberate error in the recording or maintaining of financial records of the Company; deficiencies in or noncompliance with the Company's internal accounting controls; misrepresentations or false statements to or by a senior officer of the Company or an accountant regarding a matter contained in the financial records, financial reports or audit reports of the Company; and deviation from full and fair reporting of the Company's financial condition.
- Unusual or dubious payments or arrangements.



- Violations of state or federal securities laws or violations of the Foreign Corrupt Practices
  Act or similar anti-bribery statutes.
- Any other activity that may violate federal, state or local (which includes foreign
  jurisdictions in which we conduct business) laws or regulations or may be otherwise
  unlawful.
- Violations of the rules and regulations of the Nasdaq Stock Market or any other market on which the Company's securities are traded.
- Activities that pose substantial and specific danger to the health and safety of directors, officers or employees of the Company or the general public.
- Improper Use of Intellectual Property: The obligation to protect Company assets includes the Company's proprietary information. Proprietary information includes intellectual property such as trade secrets, patents, trademarks, and copyrights, as well as business and marketing plans, engineering and manufacturing ideas, designs, databases, records and any non-public financial data or reports. Unauthorized use or distribution of this information is prohibited and could also be illegal and result in civil or criminal penalties.
- <u>Confidentiality and Misappropriation / Data Privacy</u>: Breaches of confidentiality and/or misappropriation of the Company's and our customers' non-public information and use of such information other than for legitimate business purposes.
- <u>Conflict of Interest</u>: A conflict of interest occurs when an individual's private interest interferes, or even appears to interfere, with the interests of the Company as a whole.
- <u>Discrimination/Harassment/Misconduct or Inappropriate Behavior</u>: Other activities in violation of the Company's Code of Ethics, conflict of interest or any of the Company's other policies (e.g., discrimination or harassment).

It is a serious violation of the policies of the Company, and under certain circumstances a violation of federal or local law, for any manager of the Company to initiate or encourage reprisal against an employee or other person who in good faith reports a known or suspected violation of criminal law or any other matter which may be reported under this Policy.

## PROCEDURES FOR COMPLAINTS

These procedures relate to complaints or concerns regarding Inappropriate Conduct of the Company ("Complaints").



#### SUBMISSION AND RECEIPT OF COMPLAINTS

#### In General

Persons with Complaints should promptly report them to the Chair of the Audit Committee ("Company Contact"). Complaints should be submitted to the Company Contact in writing to assure a clear understanding of the issue or concern raised. Complaints may, however, be submitted telephonically or in person. Electronic submissions may be emailed, care of the General Counsel of the Company, to Micah Nessan (mnessan@integralads.com). Regardless of the medium, the Company Contact and the General Counsel will maintain the confidentiality of persons making Complaints to the fullest extent reasonably practicable within the law and the legitimate needs of the investigation. Complaints by employees may also be submitted anonymously, either directly to the Company Contact or through the Company's outside third-party service provider.

Alternately, any company employee, independent contractor or consultant who submits Complaints (an "Employee Complainant") may report a Complaint to his or her supervisor, or in the case an Employee Complainant is not comfortable reporting the Complaint to his or her supervisor or believes the supervisor has taken no action, the General Counsel or the Chair of the Audit Committee as noted above.

#### **Outside Service Providers**

The Company will maintain an independent service to provide a toll-free confidential and anonymous hotline that will operate 24 hours per day, seven days per week and 365 days per year for employees to report Inappropriate Conduct. This independent service will also validate employees' awareness of this Policy and these procedures, collect all pertinent information, communicate all information to a designated Audit Committee member and certain authorized contacts at the Company disclosed in Schedule I hereto (the "Response Team") and provide the ability for the Response Team to respond to the employee.

The Response Team will collect the information from the independent service and investigate the matter as appropriate based on the nature of the matter. This investigation may include hiring outside advisors such as lawyers, accountants and auditors to conduct procedures under the direction of the Audit Committee. The Company will provide appropriate funding, as determined by the Audit Committee, to compensate any advisor engaged by the Audit Committee. The Response Team will respond to the employee, as appropriate given the nature of the complaint and the manner of submission. The Response Team will report all matters to the Audit Committee, including the number and nature of complaints, status of investigations, and



resolution of complaints. The Response Team will retain appropriate records of the complaints, investigations and resolutions for the legally required retention periods.

Employees who have Complaints may, rather than submitting such Complaints directly to the Company Contact, submit them confidentially and anonymously by contacting the Company's whistleblower hotline or on the whistleblower website, http://integralads.ethicspoint.com/. Integral Ad Science Holding Corp.'s Whistleblower Hotline (the "Independent Complaint Contact") is an independent third party that the Company has hired to receive anonymous Complaints from Company employees and coordinate the delivery of such Complaints to the Independent Complaint Contact. The Independent Complain Contact and telephone hotline numbers may be found by clicking on the Whistleblower Hotline located on the Investor Relations – Governance section of the Company's website, and at the following address: <a href="http://investors.integralads.com">http://investors.integralads.com</a>.

Persons submitting Complaints to the Independent Complaint Contact will be asked to confirm that they are Company employees. No method of identifying complainants submitting Complaints telephonically is used. Although e-mails sent through the Company's email system typically identify the name of the sender, such information will be kept confidential by the Independent Complaint Contact. Complainants who wish to learn the status of Complaints submitted to the Independent Complaint Contact will be assigned a confidential identification number. See below for further information regarding anonymous submissions.

Complaints reported to the Independent Complaint Contact will be forwarded to the Response Team and will be treated in accordance with the procedures set forth herein. The Chair of the Audit Committee, in his or her discretion, shall determine whether the Audit Committee shall direct its own investigation of the Complaint or otherwise address the Complaint.

#### **CONTENT OF COMPLAINTS**

To assist in the response to or investigation of a Complaint, the Complaint should be factual rather than speculative, and contain as much specific information as possible to allow for proper assessment of the nature, extent and urgency of the matter that is the subject of the Complaint. Without limiting the foregoing, the Complaint should, to the extent possible, contain the following information:

- the alleged event, matter or issue that is the subject of the Complaint;
- the name of each person involved;
- if the Complaint involves a specific event or events, the approximate date and location of each event; and



 any additional information, documentation or other evidence available to support the Complaint.

#### TREATMENT OF COMPLAINTS

## **Initial Evaluation and Response**

Under the supervision of the Audit Committee, the Company Contact will collect the information and investigate the matter as appropriate based on the nature of the matter. All Complaints will be promptly evaluated and investigated, although the seriousness and complexity of the concern can affect the time needed to investigate the matter. Irrespective of whether he or she is able to resolve the Complaint upon initial evaluation to the satisfaction of the person making the Complaint, the Company Contact shall provide a summary of each significant, substantiated Complaint to the Audit Committee on a regular basis. The Company Contact may also, in his or her discretion, bring the material, substantiated Complaint to the attention of the Company's full Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, other officers and personnel, outside auditors, outside counsel or any other party that the Company Contact deems necessary or appropriate.

## Confidentiality/Anonymity

The Company Contact, the Independent Complaint Contact, the Response Team, the Audit Committee and, if applicable, the Investigation Team (as discussed below), shall maintain the anonymity or confidentiality of the person making the Complaint to the fullest extent reasonably practicable within the law and the legitimate needs of the investigation. Legal or business requirements may not allow for complete anonymity, and in some cases it may not be possible to proceed with or properly conduct an investigation unless the complainant identifies himself or herself. In addition, persons making Complaints should be cautioned that their identity might become known for reasons outside of the control of the Company Contact, the Independent Complaint Contact, the Response Team, the Audit Committee or an Investigation Team. Should an Employee Complainant self-disclose his or her identity to persons other than the Company Contact, the Independent Complaint Contact, the Response Team, members of the Audit Committee or members of the Investigation Team, the Company shall no longer be obligated to maintain such confidence. Subject to the limitations described in this paragraph, the identity of any other person subject to or participating in any inquiry or investigation relating to a Complaint shall be maintained in confidence.



# **Investigations**

## Initiation of Investigations

The Company Contact may, in consultation with the Audit Committee, initiate an investigation based upon a Complaint. The Audit Committee may, in its discretion, appoint a person other than the Company Contact to initiate and direct an investigation, including an outside attorney. An attorney who conducts and directs an investigation is referred to herein as "Counsel." If Counsel or the Company Contact conducts an investigation, he or she may utilize such Company personnel as he or she sees fit. Such personnel are referred to herein as an "Investigation Team." The role of the Investigation Team with respect to a Complaint is to assist Counsel in collecting, digesting and analyzing information which Counsel, as legal counsel, needs to fully understand in order to render effective legal advice and representation to the Audit Committee with respect to a Complaint. Counsel may, in order to assist him or her in providing legal advice and representation to the Audit Committee, hire outside advisors (including, without limitation, forensic accountants) to be part of an Investigation Team or otherwise assist in an investigation.

Information to which the Investigation Team will have access during an investigation may be confidential and privileged, and will be communicated in the presence of the Investigation Team in order to assist Counsel in collecting and understanding the information necessary to render effective legal advice and representation to the Audit Committee.

The decision whether or not to initiate or conduct an investigation shall not be deemed an accusation against any person, and any investigation shall be treated as a neutral fact-finding process.

## Investigation Report and Follow-Up

After completing an investigation of a Complaint, Counsel or the Company Contact shall prepare a written report for the Audit Committee explaining his or her conclusions and advice with respect to the Complaint. A copy of the report shall be placed in the Complaint file. Counsel may utilize an Investigation Team to help prepare the report, consistent with the role and duties of the Investigation Team as set forth above.

The Audit Committee may, in its sole discretion, request a briefing by Counsel or an Investigation Team. The Audit Committee shall have full authority to determine the action to be taken in response to a Complaint and to direct additional investigation of any Complaint.



# RULES, RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF EMPLOYEE COMPLAINANTS AND INVESTIGATION PARTICIPANTS

#### **Employee Complainants**

Employee Complainants have a responsibility to act in good faith and provide initial information that is grounded in a reasonable belief regarding the validity of a Complaint. The motivation of an Employee Complainant is irrelevant to the consideration of the validity of the Complaint. Employee Complainants are not subject to disciplinary action for factual statements or errors made in good faith. However, the intentional filing of a false Complaint, whether orally or in writing, may itself be an improper activity and one that may result in disciplinary action.

An Employee Complainant has a responsibility to be candid and set forth all known information regarding a Complaint to the Company Contact, Counsel and the Investigation Team and to assist in the investigation. An Employee Complainant acknowledges that an investigation may not proceed if the Employee Complainant does not agree to be interviewed by the Company Contact, Counsel or an Investigation Team or provide further information regarding the Complaint.

Employee Complainants are not to act on their own in conducting any investigative activities, nor do they have a right to participate in any investigative activities other than as requested by the Audit Committee, Counsel or the Investigation Team. An Employee Complainant shall not be part of an Investigation Team unless expressly requested by the Audit Committee. An Employee Complainant shall refrain from obtaining evidence relating to a Complaint for which he or she does not have a right of access. Such improper access may itself be an illegal or improper activity and one that may result in disciplinary action.

The Company will use reasonable efforts to provide each Employee Complainant with a response to his or her Complaint and a summary of the outcome of any investigation based upon the Complaint unless Counsel or the Audit Committee determines that there are overriding legal or Company/public interest reasons not to do so.

#### **Investigation Participants**

Company employees who are interviewed, asked to provide information or otherwise participate in an investigation of a Complaint, including employees who are the subject of the investigation ("Investigation Participants") have a duty to cooperate fully with the Company Contact, Counsel and the Investigation Team and assist in the investigation.



Investigation Participants should refrain from discussing the investigation or their testimony with those not connected to the investigation. If the Investigation Participant knows the identity of the Employee Complainant, the Investigation Participant should not discuss with the Employee Complainant the nature of evidence requested or provided, or testimony given to the Company Contact, Counsel or the Investigation Team unless authorized by such person or team.

Requests for confidentiality by Investigation Participants will be honored to the fullest extent reasonably practicable within the law and the legitimate needs of the investigation.

#### **Rights of Employee Complainants and Investigation Participants**

Employee Complainants and Investigation Participants are entitled to protection from retaliation for having made a Complaint or disclosing information relating to a Complaint in good faith. The Company shall not discharge, demote, suspend, threaten, harass or in any manner discriminate against an Employee Complainant in the terms and conditions of employment based upon any lawful actions of such Employee Complainant with respect to good faith reporting of Complaints. It is a serious violation of the policies of the Company, and under certain circumstances a violation of federal or local law, for any supervisor, manager, director, or officer of the Company to initiate or encourage reprisal against an employee or other person who in good faith reports a known or suspected violation of criminal law or any other matter which may be reported under this Policy. An Employee Complainant's right to protection from retaliation does not extend immunity for any complicity in the matters that are the subject of the Complaint or an ensuing investigation.

To the extent possible and permitted under law, Complaints, reports and investigations related to such Complaints, shall be kept confidential. Disclosure of such Complaints to individuals not connected to the investigation will be viewed as a serious disciplinary offense and may result in discipline, including dismissal.

## **RETENTION OF COMPLAINTS**

The General Counsel shall maintain a file for all Complaints. If the General Counsel receives an unwritten Complaint, he or she shall memorialize such Complaint in writing and place it in the Complaint file.

#### PROTECTED RIGHTS FOR EXTERNAL REPORTING OF INAPPROPRIATE CONDUCT

These procedures are in no way intended to limit employee reporting of alleged violations relating to accounting or auditing matters to proper governmental and regulatory authorities.



Notwithstanding the requirements of any agreement entered into between any director, officer or employee and the Company or included in any policy of the Company applicable to such persons, nothing in those agreements or policies (A) precludes any person from communicating directly with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority regarding potential issues or concerns, if any, or (B) is intended to, or shall, interfere with any rights of any persons to file a charge or complaint with, communicate with, participate in a proceeding or investigation that may be conducted by, or cooperate with, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the National Labor Relations Board, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the SEC or any other federal, state or local government agency or commission (including providing documents or other information to those agencies); and none of the actions described in (A) or (B) shall constitute a breach of those agreements or policies. Directors, officers or employees do not need prior authorization from the Company to make any such governmental reports or disclosures, and are not required to notify the Company when taking any such action. No confidentiality provision included in any agreement entered into between any director, officer or employee and the Company or included in any policy of the Company shall limit any person's right to receive an award under any whistleblower or similar governmental program.

The rights and protections described in this Policy include those in 41 U.S.C. § 4712 (implemented by 48 CFR § 52.203–17, Contractor Employee Whistleblower Rights and Requirement to Inform Employees of Whistleblower Rights) and 10 U.S.C. § 2409 (implemented in 48 CFR § 203.9, Whistleblower Protections for Contractor Employees).



# Schedule I

# **Response Team**

# For Audit-Related Complaints:

- 1. Chief Accounting Officer
- 2. The General Counsel
- 3. Any designees of the Chief Accounting Officer or General Counsel

# For Human Resources-Related Complaints:

- 1. The Chief Human Resources Officer
- 2. The General Counsel
- 3. Any designees of the Chief Human Resources Officer or General Counsel

# For Legal/Compliance-Related Complaints:

- 1. The General Counsel
- 2. The Global Compliance Officer
- 3. Any designee of the General Counsel and the Global Compliance Officer