Date

RE: SCIENTIFIC REVIEW OF RESEARCH PROTOCOL – (Insert Protocol Title and PI)

The purpose of the scientific review is to explain and validate the science behind the protocol. The review should be thorough and thoughtful and provide enough detail in the explanation to inform IRB members who are not familiar with the discipline that the study has met the standards of rigor of the discipline and met the criteria for being worthy to study.

1. **Description:** *Can be taken directly from the protocol/proposal*

2. **Standard Review Criteria:**
   - Significance:
   - Approach:
   - Investigator:
   - Environment:

3. **Overall Evaluation:**
   - Synopsis:
   - Strengths:
   - Weaknesses:
   - Impact:
   - Military Relevancy:
   - Literature Review:
   - Human Use Issues:
   - Specific recommendations for improvement:

4. **Physiological Monitoring (if required):**
   - An explanation on how this device will be used to collect data:
   - Safe operation of the device:
   - Any known or anticipated risks to subjects for using the device with an explanation of how the risks will be mitigated:

5. *Make one of the following 5 recommendations for the protocol:*
1) Approve without modification; 2) approve; revision(s) warranted but re-evaluation not required; 3) approve subject to revision and re-evaluation, 4) return to PI for substantial revision; 5) disapproval

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There is no financial or professional interest or personal circumstance that will impair my ability to provide an objective review. I understand the confidential nature of the protocol and agree to destroy or return all review-related materials and to not discuss these materials or review proceedings with any individual except the Scientific Review Committee Chairperson.

_______________________________________  __________________
Typed Name, Title, Affiliation  Date

_______________________________________
Signature