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TO: CSREES Partners

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SUBJECT: Grants.gov Transition to Adobe Reader

In correspondence dated January 31, 2008 (attached), it was conveyed that Grants.gov, the source to **FIND** and **APPLY** for Federal government grants, is transitioning from PureEdge software to use of a different mini-software application, Adobe Reader version 8.1.1. The Grants.gov transition dates mentioned in the January correspondence have since been updated. The updated Grants.gov plan is to no longer make available as of June 1, 2008 PureEdge for posting application packages to Grants.gov and to no longer accept electronic PureEdge applications as of September 30, 2008.

The Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES) will continue to establish its own transition plan from PureEdge to Adobe and, once established, CSREES will announce its plan accordingly.