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SUBJECT:

CSREES Implementation Plans of Research Terms and Conditions and

Related Agency-Specific Terms and Conditions

In correspondence dated January 30, 2008 (attached), information was provided about a new standard core set of administrative terms and conditions on research and research-related awards, "Research Terms and Conditions." This correspondence provides information about the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES) implementation plans of these terms and conditions.

CSREES will utilize the Research Terms and Conditions and related agency-specific terms and conditions with all research and research-related awards (i.e., research, education, and extension) to institutions of higher education, hospitals, other non-profit organizations and for-profit organizations. The terms and conditions will apply to all awards (grants, cooperative agreements, and special projects) funded by CSREES *except*: 1) Formula Funded Programs; 2) the 1890 Facilities Program; and 3) the Small Business Innovation Research Program; as well as 4) awards to individuals.

Existing research, education, and extension awards will continue to utilize the terms and conditions as stated in the award until the award expires unless the award receives a funding increment following July 1, 2008, in which case the Research Terms and Conditions and agency-specific terms dated July 2008 will apply to such awards. In addition, beginning July 1, 2008, new CSREES research, education, and extension awards will utilize the Research Terms and Conditions, including the new agency-specific terms and conditions dated July 2008.

The Research Terms and Conditions and all related information including agency-specific implementation plans and terms and conditions may be accessed directly at http://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/rtc/agspecs.jsp or through the CSREES Web site, http://www.csrees.usda.gov/.

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