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MEMORANDUM FOR: ARDEN BEMENT
DIRECTOR
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FROM: James T. Bates *James T. Bates*
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SUBJECT: Commercial and Inherently Governmental Activities
Inventories 2007

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has completed the review and consultation process for NSF's commercial activities inventory for 2007, as required by the Federal Activities Inventory Reform Act of 1998 (the FAIR Act). In accordance with the FAIR Act, OMB is required to publish a notice in the *Federal Register* indicating that an agency has made its inventory of commercial activities available to the public. My staff has informed me that you are prepared to make this inventory available to the public when the notice is published. OMB has also completed the review and consultation process for NSF's inherently governmental activities inventory for 2007, as required by OMB Circular No. A-76. I understand that your agency will make this inventory available to the public at the same time the commercial inventory becomes available.

The inventories of commercial and inherently governmental activities shall be made available to the public on the date of OMB's *Federal Register* notice unless the inventory information is classified or otherwise protected for national security reasons. Your agency shall also transmit a copy of both commercial and inherently governmental activities inventories to Congress, in accordance with the FAIR Act and OMB Circular No. A-76.

The date of publication of OMB's *Federal Register* notice also marks the start of the 30-day challenge process permitted under the FAIR Act. Guidance on this process and agency responsibilities are specified in OMB Circular No. A-76.

Please contact Joel Parriott on my staff on (202) 395-6167, if you have any questions.

cc: Paul A. Denett, Office of Federal Procurement Policy

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