

ACTION: Announcement of correction.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy published in the **Federal Register**, September 22, 1999 (Volume 64, Number 183) Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Invention for Licensing. The invention U.S. Patent Number 5,652,713 entitled *Discriminate Reduction Data Processing* is assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and is available for licensing by the Department of the Navy. This announcement corrects the invention patent number.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the patent cited should be directed to Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division, Code 0117, 9500 MacArthur Blvd, West Bethesda, MD 20817-5700.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dick Bloomquist, Director, Technology Transfer, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division, Code 0117, 9500 MacArthur Blvd., West Bethesda, MD 20817-5700, telephone (301) 227-4299.

Dated: September 28, 1999.

J.L. Roth,

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education—Special Focus Competition (Invitational Priority: Institutional Cooperation and Student Mobility in Postsecondary Education Among the United States, Canada and Mexico); Notice Inviting Application for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000

Purpose of Program: To provide grants or enter into cooperative agreements to improve postsecondary education opportunities by focusing on problem areas or improvement approaches in postsecondary education.

Eligible Applicants: Institutions of higher education or combinations of institutions and other public and private nonprofit educational institutions and agencies.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: November 19, 1999.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: January 19, 2000.

Applications Available: October 6, 1999.

Available Funds: \$250,000 for FY 2000. The estimated amount of funds

available for awards is based on the Administration's request for this program for FY 2000. The actual level of funding, if any, is contingent upon final congressional action.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$20,000–25,000 for FY 2000. \$185,000–\$205,000 for four-year duration of grant.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$25,000 for FY 2000. \$200,000 for four-year duration of grant.

Estimated Number of Awards: 10.

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: Up to 48 months.

Applicable Regulations: The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR Parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 82, 85, 86, 97, 98, and 99.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This program is a Special Focus Competition to support projects addressing a particular problem area or improvement approach in postsecondary education. The competition also includes an invitational priority to encourage proposals designed to support the formation of educational consortia of American, Canadian and Mexican institutions to encourage cooperation in the coordination of curricula, the exchange of students and the opening of educational opportunities throughout North America. The invitational priority is issued in cooperation with Canada and Mexico. Canadian and Mexican institutions participating in any consortium proposal responding to the invitational priority may apply, respectively, to Human Resources Development Canada and the Mexican Department of Public Education for additional funding under separate Canadian and Mexican competitions.

Priority

Invitational Priority

The Secretary is particularly interested in applications that meet the following invitational priority. However, an application that meets this invitational priority does not receive competitive or absolute preference over other applications (34 CFR 75.105(c)(1)).

Invitational Priority: Projects that support consortia of institutions of higher education that promote institutional cooperation and student mobility among the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

Methods for Applying Selection Criteria

The Secretary gives equal weight to the listed criteria. Within each of the criteria, the Secretary gives equal weight to each of the factors.

Selection Criteria

In evaluating applications for grants under this program competition, the Secretary uses the following selection criteria chosen from those listed in 34 CFR 75.210.

(1) The significance of the proposed project, as determined by—

(a) The extent to which the proposed project involves the development or demonstration of promising new strategies that build on, or are alternatives to, existing strategies;

(b) The likely utility of the products (such as information, materials, processes, or techniques) that will result from the proposed project, including the potential for their being used in a variety of other settings; and

(c) The importance or magnitude of the results or outcomes likely to be attained by the proposed project, especially improvements in teaching and student achievement.

(2) The quality of the design of the proposed project, as determined by—

(a) The extent to which the goals, objectives, and outcomes to be achieved by the proposed project are clearly specified and measurable; and

(b) The extent to which the design of the proposed project is appropriate to, and will successfully address, the needs of the target population or other identified needs.

(3) The adequacy of resources, as determined by—

(a) The extent to which the costs are reasonable in relation to the objectives, design, and potential significance of the proposed project;

(b) The potential for continued support of the project after FIPSE/HDRC/SEP funding ends, including, as appropriate, the demonstrated commitment of appropriate entities to such support; and

(c) The relevance and demonstrated commitment of each partner in the proposed project to the implementation and success of the project.

(4) The quality of the project personnel, as determined by—

(a) the qualifications, including training and experience, of key project personnel; and

(b) the extent to which the applicant encourages applications for employment from persons who are members that have traditionally been under-represented based on race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability.

For Applications or Information Contact: Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE), U.S. Department of Education, 7th & D Streets, SW., Room 3100, ROB-3,

Washington, DC 20202-5175. You may also request application forms by calling 732-544-2504 (fax on demand), or application guidelines by calling 202-358-3041 (voice mail) or submitting the name of the competition and your name and postal address to FIPSE@ED.GOV (e-mail). Applications are also listed on the FIPSE Web Site <<http://www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/FIPSE>>.

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Acting Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Office of Special Education Programs; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Correction notice.

SUMMARY: On August 30, 1999, a notice inviting applications for new awards under the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Grant Applications under Part D, Subpart 2 of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997 was published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 47310). The notice contained a "chart" that provided closing dates and other information regarding the transmittal of applications for the FY 2000 competitions. The chart inadvertently listed "November 13, 2000" as the intergovernmental review deadline date for one competition. This notice provides a correction to the chart on page 47328 of that notice by changing the intergovernmental review deadline date to April 4, 2000 for the Student Initiated Research Projects (84.324B) competition.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information on this notice contact Debra Sturdivant, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, room 3527, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2641. FAX: (202) 205-8717 (FAX is the preferred method for requesting information). Telephone: (202) 205-8038. Internet: Debra_Sturdivant@ed.gov.

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Dated: September 30, 1999.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Study on Long-Term Stewardship Activities and Issues

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a study on long-term stewardship.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) is preparing a national study on long-term stewardship to examine the institutional and programmatic issues facing DOE as it completes the environmental cleanup program at its sites. The study, which will incorporate input from the public, is being prepared to comply with the terms of a settlement agreement that resolved a lawsuit brought against DOE by the Natural Resources Defense Council and other plaintiffs. DOE invites the general public, other Federal agencies, Native American Tribes, state and local governments, and all other interested parties to comment on the scope of the study.

DATES: The scoping period will extend to January 4, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted in writing to: Steven Livingstone, Project Manager, U.S. Department of Energy, PO Box 45079, Washington, DC 20026-5079; Or electronically at www.em.doe.gov/lts or to Steven.Livingstone@em.doe.gov; Or by fax at 202-586-4314.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James D. Werner, Program Director, or Steven Livingstone, Project Manager, Office of Strategic Planning and Analysis (EM-24), Office of Environmental Management, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-0119, phone: 202-586-9280, fax: 202-586-4314.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOE is preparing a national study on the possible consequences of long-term stewardship according to the terms of a