General Programmatic Terms and Conditions for Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation Program (LSAMP) (NSF 03-520)

1.   Key Personnel: Except for the Principal Investigator(s) (PIs) or Co-PIs identified in this award, requests to make any changes to personnel, organizations, and/or partnerships specifically named in the proposal, that have been approved as part of this award, shall be submitted in writing to the cognizant NSF Program Official for approval prior to any changes taking effect.

2.   Program Description: The National Science Foundation's Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation Program (LSAMP) is a multidisciplinary undergraduate program characterized by an organizational structure of multiple institutions working together toward a shared goal. This PHASE III alliance may include partners from two and four year degree granting higher education institutions, businesses and industries, national research laboratories, and local, state, and federal agencies. The overarching aim of the partnership, to increase significantly the number and quality of underrepresented minority students who graduate with a degree in science, technology, engineer and mathematics (STEM) Disciplines, is shared by all partner institutions, laboratories, and agencies. The Alliance is encouraged to adapt or develop innovative strategies designed to:

   ▪   Enhance the learning/teaching culture;
   ▪   Stimulate smoother transitions through gatekeeper courses;
   ▪   Implement faculty, industry, and peer mentoring programs for STEM students;
   ▪   Strengthen undergraduate research with emphasis on internships in local graduate research centers, national laboratories, and industries; and
   ▪   Develop components to bridge transitions from pre-college science and engineering to undergraduate and from baccalaureate to graduate programs.

3.   Reporting Requirements: The Awardee will submit all ad hoc and regular reports with content, format and submission time lines designated by the cognizant NSF Program Official, in conjunction with the Awardee and PI, and communicated to them via electronic message which then will be uploaded into the e-Jacket for future reference. The Awardee will submit all reports and certifications to NSF via FastLane. Regular annual reports include:

   ▪   A first year interim project progress report with cost share certification submitted by April 15;
   ▪   Statistical reports on degrees awarded and other information should be submitted to QRC via   WEBAMP each year by October 31; and

- Assurance that articulation agreements are implemented among all Alliance components, including those between BS degree-granting institutions and two-year institutions.

4. Award Support of Ongoing Management: The Awardee will facilitate and coordinate all activities related to ongoing management and oversight of the Project, including desk and on-site reviews, in consultation with the cognizant NSF Program Official, including provision of all requested materials, assurance as to the availability of all key personnel, and commitment to providing timely response to all review inquiries.