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TO: Deans, Colleges and Schools of Veterinary Medicine  
Directors, State Agricultural Experiment Stations

FROM: Edward Nwaba, Division Director, Awards Management Division

SUBJECT: Re-distribution of Public Law 95-113, Section 1433 Animal Health and Disease  
Research Funds for Fiscal Year (FY) 2015

Attached is a revised final FY 2015 Appendix A redistributing funds authorized under the Animal Health and Disease Research (AHDR) program. The United States Department of Agriculture, National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) Animal Health and Disease Research (AHDR) program authorized under section 1433 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (NARETPA) is a Capacity grant program administered by NIFA. The specific use of AHDR funds appropriated under Section 1433 must be used:

- (1) To meet expenses of conducting animal health and disease research, publishing and disseminating the results of such research, and contributing to the retirement of employees subject to the provisions of the Act of March 4, 1940 (54 Stat. 39 – 40, as amended; 7 U.S.C. 331); (2) for administrative planning and direction; and (3) to purchase equipment and supplies necessary for conducting such research.

These funds are being redistributed under section 1433 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension and Teaching Policy Act (7 U.S.C. 3195). Because certain institutions have not met their programmatic reporting requirements, a total of \$10,803 of FY 2015 funds is being re-allotted to institutions who have met the requirements and are able to satisfy the matching requirement, when applicable.

The distribution identifies funds for the Small Business Innovation Research Program, reflecting the requirement that not less than 2.5 percent of the funds be set aside for that purpose in FY 2015. The distribution also identifies a set-aside for biotechnology risk assessment.

NIFA will have the additional funds certified in Treasury's Automated Standard Application Payment system (ASAP) to those eligible institutions by September 30, 2015. The FY 2015 funds will remain available until September 30, 2016. After such time, the funds will revert back to Treasury and be unavailable for draw down.

If you have any questions about the redistribution, please contact Brenda Barnett, Capacity Branch Chief on (202) 401-6520 or via email at [bbarnett@nifa.usda.gov](mailto:bbarnett@nifa.usda.gov).