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TO: NIFA Awardees

FROM: Cynthia Montgomery CM
Deputy Director
Office of Grants and Financial Management

SUBJECT: Replacement of Award Terms and Conditions

This correspondence is to notify you of replacement terms and conditions for non-formula awards issued by the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) with an award date of December 26, 2014 and until which time the Research Terms and Conditions Overlay to the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) is implemented. This includes new awards and awards that received an increment of funding during that time.

On December 26, 2014, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements or Federal Awards, 2 CFR part 200, was implemented by Federal agencies. USDA implemented the OMB guidance through 2 CFR part 400. NIFA included 2 CFR part 400 in the provisions of these awards as well as Research Terms and Conditions and accompanying NIFA-specific Award Terms. The Research Terms and Conditions were the implementation of OMB Circular A-110, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Federal Grants and Agreements Awarded to Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Non-profit Organizations, which was superseded by 2 CFR part 200. That being the case, NIFA is replacing the Research Terms and Conditions and the accompanying NIFA-specific Award Terms with NIFA General Terms and Conditions that reflect the implementation of 2 CFR part 200.

Previous Award Provision
Research Terms and Conditions (06/11) and NIFA Agency Specific Terms and Conditions (10/14) at http://www.nifa.usda.gov/business/awards/awardterms.html

Replacement Award Provision
NIFA General Terms and Conditions (12/14) at http://nifa.usda.gov/terms-and-conditions.

If you do not contact the administrative contact person identified in Block 14 of the Award Face Sheet (Form NIFA-2009) by Friday, August 7, 2015, NIFA will recognize your acceptance of the replacement award provisions.

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