FROM: Lynda T. Carlson, Director, Division of Science Resources Statistics SUBJECT: National Science Foundation (NSF) Survey of Early Career Researchers

Dear {UserData:FirstName}{UserData:LastName},

Please join other early career researchers in completing a new survey from the National Science Foundation (NSF), Division of Science Resources Statistics (SRS) – the Survey of Early Career Researchers.

The NSF/SRS needs your help to understand the careers of scientists and engineers, and the factors that affect them. NSF's contractor, the Survey Sciences Group (SSG) will conduct this survey. SRS will gather information from early career researchers with doctorates or equivalent degrees, including postdoctoral researchers (postdocs) about their goals and experiences.

Your perspective is important to the NSF. Please follow the instructions below to complete the survey:

- 1. Go to the survey website: www.ssgresearch.com/nsf-researchers
- 2. In the ID field of the login box, enter the following ID: «CustomID»
- 3. Click the START SURVEY button on the screen to proceed with the survey.

This survey is voluntary and will take between 25-30 minutes. The information that you provide will be used for statistical purposes only and your responses will be kept confidential under the authority of the National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended, and the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002. A decision to not provide some or all of the requested information will not in any way adversely affect you.

If you have questions or require technical assistance, please contact the SSG Support Desk by sending an email to nsf-researchers@ssgresearch.com or by calling toll free at 1-800-774-0142, ext. 409. When you contact them, please refer to the Survey of NSF Early Career Researchers and provide your Study ID: «CustomID».

Thank you, in advance, for your time and cooperation.

Sincerely,

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