

Attachment F. Thank You Letter To States FY07

[Letterhead for NSF Director]

The Honorable Bob Riley
State Capitol
600 Dexter Avenue
Montgomery, AL 36130-2751

Dear Governor Riley:

On behalf of the National Science Foundation (NSF), I thank the State of Alabama for participating in the FY 2007 State R&D Expenditures Survey. The cooperation of your state agencies and others has allowed NSF and the U.S. Census Bureau to collect R&D information for all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. This information will supplement our longitudinal statistics on R&D expenditures, including information we collect annually from your state educational institutions. Information on 2007 academic R&D expenditures is available at www.nsf.gov/statistics/.

I would especially like to recognize Carolyn Middleton of the Executive Budget Office, who provided the survey response for Alabama. The efforts of your staff across many agencies involved complex work and attention to detail. These efforts provided us with accurate and timely survey data. We appreciate their contributions to this national measurement of R&D expenditures.

As an additional note, this survey will not be conducted for the FY 2008 fiscal year. We will be following up early in 2010 with more details pertaining to the FY 2009 survey.

If you have further questions on the State R&D Expenditures Survey, you may contact John Jankowski, Director of NSF's Research and Development Statistics Program for further information at (703) 292-7781 or jjankows@nsf.gov.

Again, thank you for your efforts and your participation.

Sincerely,

Arden Bement, Jr.
Director, National Science Foundation

Cc: Carolyn Middleton