

Survey of State R&D

Attachment C: Letter to States

May 5, 2008

The Honorable FIRSTNAME LASTNAME
State Capitol City, State 00000

Dear Governor LASTNAME:

The National Science Foundation (NSF) is once more collaborating with the U.S. Census Bureau on a Survey *of FY 2007 State R&D Expenditures*. You may recall that your state participated in the FY 2006 survey. The FY 2006 survey requested R&D expenditure information from 423 state agencies across the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. I ask for your participation in the FY 2007 survey.

I am including an endorsement letter from Governors Janet Napolitano and Jon M. Huntsman, Jr., of the National Governors Association. They express their support for the survey and ask that you join them to make this data collection effort a success. I am including a copy of the FY 2007 survey materials mentioned in their letter. These materials are also available at <http://harvester.census.gov/nsf/preview/> under "Survey Questions and Definitions (PDF)."

Please let our project manager know if Mr./Mrs. STATE COORDINATOR will again serve as your state's survey coordinator. Of course, you may appoint a different coordinator for the FY 2007 survey. The state coordinator will confirm the names and contact information for the departments and agencies that are most likely to fund your state government's R&D activities. The coordinator will also serve as the authorizing official for your state's final survey response.

Please contact James Berry, project manager for this survey at the Census Bureau, with your state coordinator selection by emailing james.r.berry.jr@census.gov or calling 800-622-6193.

Thank you in advance for your continuing help to complete a picture of our nation's R&D expenditures for state governments.

Sincerely,

Arden L. Bement, Jr.
Director

Enclosures
cc: STATE COORDINATOR