**Attachment 2: Introductory Email from NSF**

Dear Project Directors,

Within the next week, you will be contacted by the Science and Technology Policy Institute (STPI) who will be requesting your participation in a web-based survey of Project Directors on NSF-funded EPSCoR Research Infrastructure Improvement Awards (including from the inception of the program to what is currently known as RII Track-1). STPI will conduct the survey on behalf of NSF. The purpose of the survey is to obtain additional data to support a life of program assessment being conducted by STPI. We understand that your time is valuable, but feel strongly that this activity will provide information of immeasurable importance. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Brian Zuckerman at bzuckerm@ida.org

Thank you.