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Mr. Jeff Weiner  
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Dear Mr. Weiner:

I am responding to your request to accept awards for fellowships and conferences from sponsors outside the Department of Energy (DOE) without prior approval of the Department. Since fellowships and conferences are associated with ongoing DOE or sponsored work, since individual awards are normally for the training of an individual or for an individual conference, and since these services are not commercial in nature, I have determined that such awards, as a class:

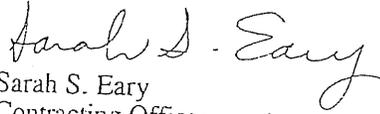
- (1) Are consistent with or complementary to DOE and LBNL missions;
- (2) Do not adversely impact execution of assigned programs;
- (3) Would not place the Laboratory in direct competition with the domestic private sector; and
- (4) Would not create a detrimental future burden on DOE resources.

Therefore, proposals to receive fellowships and conduct conferences need not be submitted to DOE for approval prior to award if the award is solely for the purpose of funding a fellowship or conducting a conference unless the activity is being funded by a federal interagency agreement requiring DOE acceptance. If DOE acceptance of an interagency agreement is required, DOE will need sufficient documentation to accept the funding.

DOE financial requirements for reimbursable work will of course apply to fellowships and conferences. You may submit requests for waiver of depreciation and added factor directly to the Oakland Operations Office Finance and Accounting Division for approval if the request for waiver is based on the sponsor's status as a small business, non profit

organization or association with a foreign government. If the waiver request is based on the nature of the work, you will need to obtain concurrence of the BSO program manager that the work proposed meets the criteria of the Controller's guidance memorandum.

Sincerely,

  
Sarah S. Eary  
Contracting Officer

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*10/9/26 to SPO staff*