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Chancellors

Director, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory Vice President - Agriculture and Natural Resources

Delegation of Authority to Solicit and Accept or Execute Certain Extramural Grants and Contracts

Standing Order of The Regents 100.4(dd), Duties of the President of the University, provides the President authority to accept or execute certain contracts and other documents as follows:

Except as otherwise specifically provided in the Bylaws and Standing Orders, the President is authorized to execute on behalf of the Corporation all contracts and other documents necessary in the exercise of the President's duties, including documents to solicit and accept pledges, gifts, and grants, except that specific authorization by resolution of the Board shall be required for [certain] documents.

On April 19, 2012, the President issued a Delegation of Authority (DA 2569) to campus Chancellors, the Director of Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, and the Vice President of Agriculture and Natural Resources the authority to accept or execute certain extramural contracts or grants up to a limit amount in direct costs in any one project year based on whether the funding sponsor was federal, State of California agency or other entity. The purpose of this Delegation of Authority is to remove any dollar thresholds.

Therefore, subject to the limitations below, effective immediately, I delegate to the Chancellors, Director of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, and Vice President of Agriculture and Natural Resources the authority to solicit, accept, or execute sponsored awards for research, scholarly or professional training, or for public service programs relating either to research or to scholarly or professional training, including the signing of related documents as necessary.

This Delegation of Authority does not include the authority to solicit, accept, or execute documents that:

- a. contain provisions falling within any of the restrictions and limitations set forth in Standing Order 100.4(dd). In particular, with regard to this delegation, note that Standing Order 100.4(dd) requires specific authorization by The Regents for:
 - 9. Agreements by which the University assumes liability for conduct of persons other than University officers, agents, employees, students, invitees, and guests. In circumstances where it is deemed necessary by the President, in consultation with the General Counsel, to indemnify non-University persons who have agreed at the University's request to

serve as advisors on operational matters for conduct within the scope of their role as advisors, the President is authorized to provide for defense and indemnification. This restriction does not apply to agreements under which the University assumes responsibility for the condition of property in its custody.

- b. include an unapproved arrangement for indirect costs which changes the rates or the bases thereof as promulgated by the President;
- c. require approval by the President or designee; or
- d. provide support for the sole purpose of constructing research facilities. For projects which include both a research and construction component, the contracts, grants, and other documents must also be approved by University officials retaining the delegation of authority for construction projects and must be in full compliance with the requirements separately required in that delegation.

For purposes of this Delegation of Authority, sponsored awards include contracts and grants from government and private sources but excludes gifts. See UC Policy on the <u>Classification of Gifts and Sponsored Awards</u>.

Campus procedures for the preparation of proposals for sponsored awards shall be in accordance with the <u>University of California Contract and Grant Manual</u> and with supplementary instructions as may be issued by the Office of the President.

Critical factors in processing sponsored awards are a review for legal sufficiency and compliance with University policies, and coordination with other campus offices and functions as appropriate, including legal counsel, risk management, and intellectual property managers. Responsibility for accomplishing this review and coordination must be assigned specifically as a part of any redelegation.

This Delegation of Authority is effective immediately and supersedes the April 19, 2012, delegations of authority to the Chancellors, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory Director, and Vice President of Agriculture and Natural Resources (DA2569) to solicit, accept, or execute certain extramural grants and contracts. This authority may be redelegated.

Sincerely,

James B. Milliken President

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