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TO: State Extension Directors

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SUBJECT: FY 2008 Civil Service Retirement System Allocation

Attached is a table reflecting each State's final Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) allocation for fiscal year (FY) 2008. These funds are for payments to the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to help defray the employer contributions to the CSRS. The funds are to be paid to the States based on each State's relative share of the total retirement payments to OPM during the last fiscal year.

We take this opportunity to remind you that for those specialists having Federal appointments that are split appointments (Research, Extension, or Resident Instruction) the source of funding should be charged at the same rate for fringe benefits (including Federal retirement) as salary costs are charged. This policy only applies when employees are paid from non-Extension sources (i.e., Research, Resident Instruction, or grants).

The amount charged to the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service each year by the Department of Labor for the Federal Employees' Compensation Act will be identified by State and by individual claim. Each State that is identified and confirmed as having an injury claim will have their retirement allocation reduced by the amount of the claim. In this manner, the States having a claim will not be penalized for the claims of the other States. You will be notified and appropriate adjustments will be made for any claims that are identified and confirmed as a proper claim for your State.

As stated in my April 9, 2008, memorandum, "Update on CSREES Formula Policies and Procedures," CSREES will be transitioning to Grants.gov in FY 2008 for the submission of all administrative requirements via the SF-424 Mandatory Application Forms. CSREES will be soliciting for these applications via Formula Grant Opportunities (FGOs) which will provide instructions for the completion and submission of these forms. CSREES will notify eligible institutions when the instructions and forms are available on the Grants.gov site. Therefore, there are no reporting requirements at this time. Please note that this process will not change any current reporting processes such as the Plan of Work. The FGO will be released by September 30, 2008, and will only require the Form SF-424 Mandatory CSREES Supplemental Information Form, and the SF-424 Key Contacts Form. No additional information will be requested as part of this application package.

Section 203 of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (AREERA) (P.L. 105-185) amends section 3 of the Smith-Lever Act (7 U.S.C. 3443) by requiring all funds authorized under section 3(b) and (c) to be fully matched with non-Federal funds. This applies to all formula funds authorized under section 3 (b) and (c) of the Smith-Lever Act, including the CSRS program. However, the funds used to match the retirement formula funds may be used for any extension activity approved as part of the Plan of Work.

A Planning and Reporting page has been established on our website to assist you in locating the requirements, due dates, and submission information for CSRS funds and all other formula grant funds. The research and extension formulas are organized in groups for the three land-grant types: 1862 land-grant institutions, 1862 land-grant institutions in the U.S. territories, and 1890 land-grant institutions. Since funding continues to be contingent upon meeting planning and reporting requirements, you may want to have your administrative staff bookmark the following web link for easy access to fillable forms and due dates for all formula funds:

http://www.csrees.usda.gov/business/reporting/form_report.html

Additionally, we will continue to email you regarding important information regarding all of the formula funds you receive. This information is released in "Formula Funds Bulletins," which are maintained at our "Formula Funds News Updates" web page:

http://www.csrees.usda.gov/business/awards/formula/ff_updates.html

If you have any questions, please contact Brenda Barnett, Acting Team Leader, Formula Grants Section, Financial Operations Branch, Office of Extramural Programs at (202) 401-4527, or via electronic mail to bbarnett@csrees.usda.gov.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND EXTENSION SERVICE

FY 2008 Distribution of Funds to Eligible Institutions for
Civil Service Retirement System
(Award# 2008-41300)

State	FINAL Institution	FY 2007 OPM PAYMENT	PERCENTAGE	FY 2008 ALLOCATION
Alabama	Auburn University	\$ 463,177	3.71%	\$ 437,304
Alabama	Tuskegee University	0	0.00%	0
Alaska	University of Alaska	16,794	0.13%	15,856
Arizona	University of Arizona	38,562	0.31%	36,408
Arkansas	University of Arkansas	416,095	3.33%	392,852
California	University of California	32,041	0.26%	30,251
Colorado	Colorado State University	108,439	0.87%	102,382
Connecticut	University of Connecticut	0	0.00%	0
Delaware	University of Delaware	42,988	0.34%	40,587
Florida	University of Florida	475,466	3.81%	448,907
Georgia	University of Georgia	510,681	4.09%	482,154
Georgia	Fort Valley State University	7,997	0.06%	7,550
Hawaii	University of Hawaii	23,788	0.19%	22,459
Idaho	University of Idaho	71,613	0.57%	67,613
Illinois	University of Illinois	509,386	4.08%	480,932
Indiana	Purdue University	281,896	2.26%	266,149
Iowa	Iowa State University	352,298	2.82%	332,619
Kansas	Kansas State University	327,279	2.62%	308,997
Kentucky	University of Kentucky	645,899	5.17%	609,820
Kentucky	Kentucky State University	7,678	0.06%	7,249
Louisiana	Louisiana State University	499,376	4.00%	471,481
Maine	University of Maine	87,596	0.70%	82,703
Maryland	University of Maryland	197,240	1.58%	186,222
Masachusetts	University of Massachusetts	0	0.00%	0
Michigan	Michigan State University	434,937	3.48%	410,642
Minnesota	University of Minnesota	373,471	2.99%	352,609
Mississippi	Mississippi State University	229,446	1.84%	216,629
Mississippi	Alcorn State University	0	0.00%	0
Missouri	University of Missouri	292,383	2.34%	276,050
Missouri	Lincoln University	0	0.00%	0
Montana	Montana State University	79,059	0.63%	74,643
Nebraska	University of Nebraska	364,998	2.92%	344,609
Nebada	University of Nevada	34,376	0.28%	32,456
New Hampshire	University of New Hampshire	131,445	1.05%	124,103
New Jersey	Rutgers University	139,911	1.12%	132,095
New Mexico	New Mexico State University	90,759	0.73%	85,689
New York	Cornell University	276,705	2.22%	261,249
North Carolina	North Carolina State University	919,126	7.36%	867,784
North Carolina	North Carolina A & T State University	77,044	0.62%	72,741
North Dakota	North Dakota State University	179,160	1.43%	169,152
Ohio	Ohio State University	72,371	0.58%	68,328
Oklahoma	Oklahoma State University	276,144	2.21%	260,719
Oklahoma	Langston University	0	0.00%	0
Oregon	Oregon State University	149,413	1.20%	141,067
Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State University	73,018	0.58%	68,939
Puerto Rico	University of Puerto Rico	150,053	1.20%	141,671
Rhode Island	University of Rhode Island	8,129	0.07%	7,675
South Carolina	Clemson University	153,029	1.23%	144,481
South Carolina	South Carolina State University	5,154	0.04%	4,866
South Dakota	South Dakota State University	113,530	0.91%	107,188
Tennessee	University of Tennessee	606,813	4.86%	572,917
Tennessee	Tennessee State University	0	0.00%	0
Texas	Texas A & M University	967,010	7.74%	912,991
Texas	Prairie View A & M University	42,072	0.34%	39,722
Utah	Utah State University	111,944	0.90%	105,691
Vermont	University of Vermont	18,620	0.15%	17,579
Virginia	Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University	265,605	2.13%	250,768
Washington	Washington State University	209,104	1.67%	197,424
West Virginia	West Virginia University	148,715	1.19%	140,408
Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin	298,396	2.39%	281,728
Wyoming	University of Wyoming	78,545	0.63%	74,158
TOTAL		\$ 12,486,774	100.00%	\$ 11,789,266