

(Grants)” and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;

(3) *Anti-lobbying*. Persons (as defined at 15 CFR part 28, section 105) are subject to the lobbying provisions of 31 U.S.C. 1352, “Limitation on use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracting and financial transactions,” and the lobbying section of the certification form prescribed above applies to applicants/bids for grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts for more than \$100,000, and loans and loan guarantees for more than \$150,000, or the single family maximum mortgage limit for affected programs, whichever is greater; and

(4) *Anti-lobbying Disclosures*. Any applicant that has paid or will pay for lobbying using any funds must submit an SF-LLL, “Disclosure of Lobbying Activities,” as required under 15 CFR part 28, Appendix B.

(h) *Lower Tier Certifications*

Recipients shall require applicants/bidders for subgrants, contracts, subcontracts, or other lower tier covered transactions at any tier under the award to submit, if applicable, a completed Form CD-512, “Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transactions and Lobbying” and disclosure form, SF-LLL, “Disclosure of Lobbying Activities.” Form CD-512 is intended for the use of recipients and should not be transmitted to NIST. SF-LLL submitted by any tier recipient or sub-recipient should be submitted to NIST in accordance with the instructions contained in the award document.

(i) *False Statements*

A false statement on an application is grounds for denial or termination of funds and grounds for possible punishment by a fine or imprisonment as provided in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

(j) *Purchase of American-Made Equipment and Products*.

Applicants are hereby notified that they are encouraged, to the greatest extent practicable, to purchase American-made equipment and products with the funding provided under this program.

(k) *North American Free Trade Agreement Patent Notification Procedures*

Pursuant to Executive Order 12889, the Department of Commerce (DoC) is required to notify the owner of any valid patent covering technology whenever the DoC or its financial assistance

recipient, without making a patent search, knows (or has demonstrable reasonable grounds to know) that technology covered by a valid United States patent has been or will be used without a license from the owner. Applicants selected for awards under this program are required to comply with this executive order.

(l) *Intergovernmental Review*

Applications under this program are not subject to the requirements of Executive Order 12372, “Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs”.

(m) *No Obligation for Future Funding*.

If an application is accepted for funding, DoC has no obligation to provide any additional future funding in connection with that award. Renewal of an award to increase funding or extend the period of performance is at the total discretion of NIST.

Program Execution

(a) *Type of Funding Instrument*

The formal agreement between NIST and the applicant will be in the form of a cooperative agreement. Under this agreement, the NIST MEP will have substantial interactions with the applicant in planning and executing this project. This will include the following:

- Assisting in developing required plans
- Providing access to standard manufacturing extension and related tools
- Facilitating partnering with appropriate organizations both within and outside of the MEP national system
- Defining measures for evaluation of performance
- Direct involvement in helping to understand, define, and resolve problems in the center’s operations

(b) *Operating Plan*

All recipients of awards are required to submit an Operating Plan within ninety (90) days of the project start date. The Operating Plan is a more detailed statement of work based on project objectives and activities the applicant will undertake to achieve the objectives and incorporates recommendations provided by the evaluation panel and the NIST Program Officer. The Operating Plan must be reviewed and approved by NIST and will be incorporated into the cooperative agreement by amendment. Operating Plan guidelines will be distributed to award recipients.

(c) *Project Reporting*

Quarterly reports will be submitted to the NIST Program Officer no later than thirty (30) days after the end of each calendar quarter of the award year. The information provided is used to characterize the projects, develop detailed case studies, and evaluate individual examples of outcomes. Quarterly reporting instructions will be distributed to award recipients.

Executive Order Statement: This funding notice was determined to be “not significant” for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

Dated: March 8, 2001.

Harry Hertz,

Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

National Oyster Disease Research Program and Gulf Oyster Industry Initiative, and Aquatic Nuisance Species Research and Outreach: Requests for Proposals for FY 2001; Correction

AGENCY: National Sea Grant College Program, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: The National Sea Grant College Program (Sea Grant) published two documents in the **Federal Register** of March 5, 2001, entitled “National Oyster Disease Research Program and Gulf Oyster Industry Initiative: Request for Proposals” (pages 13295-13301) and “Aquatic Nuisance Species Research and Outreach: Request for Proposals for FY 2001” (pages 13310-13305). This notice corrects and revises the dates for submission of preproposals and proposals.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Leon Cammen 301-713-2435 Ext 136.

Correction

For the **Federal Register** notices entitled “National Oyster Disease Research Program and Gulf Oyster Industry Initiative: Request for Proposals” (March 5, 2001, Docket 990125030-1039-02, pages 13295-13301) and “Aquatic Nuisance Species Research and Outreach: Request for Proposals for FY 2001” (March 5, 2001, Docket 990125028-1050-02, pages 13301-13305), the correct timetable for

submission of preproposals and proposals is the following:

April 4, 2001, 5 pm (local time)—Preliminary proposals due at state Sea Grant Program, or at National Sea Grant Office if application is being submitted by a non Sea Grant College Program.

April 9, 2001, 5 pm (EST)—Preliminary proposals received at state Sea Grant Programs due at National Sea Grant Office.

May 30, 2001, 5 pm (local time)—Full proposals due at state Sea Grant Program, or at National Sea Grant Office if application is being submitted by a non Sea Grant College Program.

June 4, 2001, 5 pm (EST)—Full proposals received at state Sea Grant Programs due at National Sea Grant Office.

Dated: March 9, 2001.

Louisa Koch,

Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Dean John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship, National Sea Grant College Program

AGENCY: Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that applications may be submitted for a Fellowship program which was initiated by the National Sea Grant Office (NSGO), NOAA, in fulfilling its broad educational responsibilities, to provide educational experience in the policies and processes of the Legislative and Executive Branches of the Federal Government to graduate students in marine and aquatic-related fields. The Fellowship program accepts applications once a year on or before May 1 for a one-year fellowship beginning February 1 of the following year. All applicants must submit an application to the local Sea Grant program in their state. Applicants from states not served by a Sea Grant program should obtain further information by contacting the Knauss Fellows Program Manager at the NSGO.

DATES: Deadlines vary from program to program, but are generally due early to mid-April. Contact your state's Sea Grant program for specific deadlines (see list below).

ADDRESSES: Applications should be addressed to your local Sea Grant program. Contact the appropriate state's Sea Grant program from the list below to obtain the mailing address or the address may be obtained on the web site <http://www.nsgo.seagrant.org/SGDirectors.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Nikola Garber, Knauss Fellows Program Manager, National Sea Grant College Program, R/SG, NOAA, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, Tel. (301) 713-2431, ext. 124; e-mail: nikola.garber@noaa.gov. Also call your nearest Sea Grant program or visit the web site <http://www.nsgo.seagrant.org/Knauss.html>.

Sea Grant Programs

ALABAMA, Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant Consortium (228) 875-9368
 ALASKA, University of Alaska (907) 474-7086
 CALIFORNIA, University of California, San Diego (858) 534-4440
 CALIFORNIA, University of Southern California (213) 821-1335
 CONNECTICUT, University of Connecticut (860) 405-9128
 DELAWARE, University of Delaware (302) 831-2841
 FLORIDA, University of Florida (352) 392-5870
 GEORGIA, University of Georgia (706) 542-5954
 HAWAII, University of Hawaii (808) 956-7031
 ILLINOIS, Purdue University (765) 494-3593
 INDIANA, Purdue University (765) 494-3593
 LOUISIANA, Louisiana Sea Grant (225) 388-6710
 MAINE, University of Maine (207) 581-1435
 MARYLAND, University of Maryland (301) 405-6371
 MASSACHUSETTS, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (617) 253-7131
 MASSACHUSETTS, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (508) 289-2557
 MICHIGAN, University of Michigan (734) 763-1437
 MINNESOTA, University of Minnesota (218) 726-8710
 MISSISSIPPI, Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant Consortium (228) 875-9368
 NEW HAMPSHIRE, University of New Hampshire (603) 862-0122
 NEW JERSEY, New Jersey Marine Science Consortium (732) 872-1300 Ext. 21

NEW YORK, New York Sea Grant Institute, SUNY (631) 632-6905
 NORTH CAROLINA, North Carolina State University (919) 515-2454
 OHIO, Ohio State University, (614) 292-8949
 OREGON, Oregon State University (541) 737-2714
 PUERTO RICO, University of Puerto Rico (787) 832-3585
 RHODE ISLAND, University of Rhode Island (401) 874-6800
 SOUTH CAROLINA, South Carolina Sea Grant Consortium (843) 727-2078
 TEXAS, Texas A&M University (979) 845-3854
 VIRGINIA, Virginia Graduate Marine Science Consortium (804) 924-5965
 WASHINGTON, University of Washington (206) 543-6600
 WISCONSIN, University of Wisconsin-Madison (608) 262-0905

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Dean John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship, National Sea Grant College Program

Purpose of the Fellowship Program

In 1979, the National Sea Grant Office (NSGO), NOAA, in fulfilling its broad educational responsibilities, initiated a program to provide a unique educational experience in the policies and processes of the Legislative and Executive Branches of the Federal Government to graduate students who have an interest in ocean, coastal and Great Lakes resources and in the national policy decisions affecting these resources. In 1987, Public Law 100-220 made the Sea Grant Federal Fellows Program a formal part of the National Sea Grant College Program Act. The recipients are designated Dean John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellows pursuant to 33 U.S.C. 1127(b).

Announcement

Fellows program announcements are sent annually to all participating Sea Grant institutions and campuses by the local Sea Grant program upon receipt of notice from the NSGO.

Eligibility

Any student who, on May 1, 2001, is in a graduate or professional program in a marine or aquatic-related field at a United States accredited institution of higher education may apply to the NSGO through their local Sea Grant program. Applicants from states not served by a Sea Grant program should contact the Knauss Fellows Program Manager at the NSGO; subsequently, the applicant will be referred to the appropriate Sea Grant Program. NOAA makes financial assistance funds