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Ref: Notice of Suspension for NSF Awards IIP-1439713, ECCS-1310406, CNS-1228936,
IIS-1208499, CNS-1205665, ACI-1156859 and CNS-1127084

Dear Mr. Seemann:

This letter serves to notify you that NSF is suspending the above referenced awards effective immediately. Suspension is an action that temporarily withholds Federal support of a project pending corrective action by the grantee or a decision by NSF to terminate the grant.

Due to an ongoing investigation and recommendation from NSF's Office of the Inspector General (OIG) NSF has determined that suspension of the referenced awards is reasonable to protect the interests of the government. The suspension is in accordance with the Research Terms and Conditions (RTC, dated June 2011), Articles 61 and 62; and NSF RTC Agency-Specific Requirements (dated March 7, 2014), Article 32. "Termination and Enforcement".

No costs incurred during a suspension period will be allowable, except those costs which, in the opinion of NSF, the grantee could not reasonably avoid or eliminate, or which were otherwise authorized by the suspension or termination notice, provided such costs would otherwise be allowable under the terms of the grant and the governing costs principles. (Ref. NSF Award Administration Guide, Chapter VII.A.1 and 2). NSF has restricted expenditures on these awards, and the University of Connecticut will not be able to withdraw any funds for these specific awards.

The suspension and expenditure restrictions will remain in effect until otherwise notified by NSF. Inquiries regarding the investigation should be directed to Dr. Special Agent Michael

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Sincerely,



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