March 24, 2014

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, SPONSORED PROJECTS OFFICE

RE: Delegation of Authority – To Solicit and Accept Certain Extramural Grants and Contracts

Effective immediately, as Director of the Sponsored Projects Office and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I delegate the following authority to you:

- Authority to solicit and accept or execute certain extramural state and federal contracts and grants and subawards from higher education institutions or a State of California agency, up to $10,000,000 in annual direct costs, and all others up to $5,000,000 in annual direct costs.
  (source of authority: DA 2569)

Exercise of this authority is subject to the restrictions, exceptions and instructions outlined in UC DA 2569 and all other University and Merced Campus policies and procedures.

For purposes of this delegation, the term “grant” includes grants from private sources, but excludes gifts as defined in the Guidelines for Review of Gifts/Grants for Research issued by the President on July 8, 1980.

Procedures for preparation of proposals for extramural support and acceptance of grants or execution of contracts shall be in accordance with the University of California Contract and Grant Manual and with supplementary instructions as may be issued by the Office of the President.

Responsibility for review and coordination of 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, must be assigned specifically as part of any re-delegation by you.

This authority may not be further re-delegated.

Thea Vicari
Director, Sponsored Projects Office

cc: Director of Controls and Accountability, Sheryl Ireland