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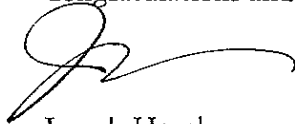
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Director, Core Residency Program



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May 15, 2007

Dr. George C. Wright
President
Prairie View A&M University
PO Box 519
Prairie View, TX 77446

Dear Dr. Wright:

The NASA Administrator's Fellowship Program (NAFP) is pleased to award a fellowship to Dr. Sukesh K. Aghara, a Prairie View A&M University faculty member in the Chemical Engineering Department. In accordance with the terms of this award, the NAFP will pay Dr. Aghara's full salary and benefits over the course of the fellowship.

Funds will be provided to Prairie View A&M University in biannual lump sum payments for disbursement under the school's regular payroll procedures. This arrangement facilitates the fellow's salary and institutional continuity during the fellowship. Faculty fellows are required to return to their home institution for at least two years following their tenure in the NAFP.

Enclosed with this letter are documents requiring your signature or that of your designee:

- (1) Authorization of a Coordinating Official (generally, the Fiscal Officer) for handling the biannual salary payments for the fellow,
- (2) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) affirming that the fellow will be able to return to his/her position at the university for at least two years on completion of the fellowship, and
- (3) A Funds Administration document detailing the annual salary and benefit contribution made by the institution.

These documents are important for completing administrative details of the fellowship. **We request that these forms be returned by July 2, 2007.**

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (703) 205-7636 if there are any questions regarding this program.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melissa C. Green". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Melissa C. Green, Ph.D.
Director, Division of Science & Technology

Enclosures

cc: Sukesh K. Aghara

NASA ADMINISTRATOR'S FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM DESIGNATION OF COORDINATING OFFICIAL

The **Coordinating Official** is designated by the school's President to serve as the principal point of contact for receiving funds from the United Negro College Fund Special Programs (UNCFSP) Corporation for disbursement to the faculty member selected for the NAFP. These funds represent salary and benefit payments commensurate with the fellow's compensation as a faculty member of your institution. The school agrees to disburse these funds over the course of the NAFP fellowship to **Dr. Sukesh K. Aghara** as part of the school's regular payroll system. **UNCFSP will mail funds for this purpose to the Coordinating Official.** The funds will be mailed biannually in September and March for each academic year of the fellowship.

I. Designating Official

By my signature below, I designate:

Name of Official

Title

to be the **Coordinating Official** *responsible for receiving UNCFSP funds as referenced above.*

Signature of Designating Official

II. Coordinating Official

I accept the responsibilities of the **Coordinating Official** for the **NASA Administrator's Fellowship Program** as described above.

(Signed)

(Date)

Mailing Address: _____

E-Mail: _____

Tel: _____

Fax: _____

Please return this form to:

**NASA Administrator's Fellowship Program
United Negro College Fund Special Programs Corporation
2750 Prosperity Avenue, Suite 600
Fairfax, VA 22031**

**NASA Administrator's Fellowship Program
Funds Administration**

To: Designated Coordinating Official
Prairie View A&M University

From: Dr. Melissa C. Green
Director, Division of Science and Technology

Date: June 1, 2007

Re: Salary and Benefits for NAFP Fellow

1. The United Negro College Fund Special Programs (UNCFSP) Corporation which administers the NASA Administrator's Fellowship Program (NAFP) will provide funds totaling the annual salary and benefits for the following faculty member/NAFP fellow, **Dr. Sukesh K. Aghara**.
2. The UNCFSP will provide these funds in two installments covering the 12 months of the fellowship:
 - A. September 1, 2007
 - B. March 1, 2008
3. Please confirm Dr. Aghara annual 12-month salary: **\$89,981**. The Fellowship will cover this salary plus the additional three months. We will compute the additional 3 months, based upon your confirmation.
4. The UNCFSP will also pay the institution's contributions toward the fellow's benefit package. Please provide our office with information on the percentage of the specific contributions and the dollar amount paid by the university on behalf of the recipient.

FICA	\$ _____	@ _____	% of salary
Insurance	\$ _____	@ _____	% of salary
Retirement	\$ _____	@ _____	% of salary
Other	\$ _____	@ _____	% of salary
	\$ _____	@ _____	% of salary
Total Benefits	\$ _____		

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United Negro College Fund Special Programs Corporation
2750 Prosperity Avenue, Suite 600
Fairfax, VA 22031**



PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Member of the Texas A&M University System

August 7, 2007

Dr. Sukesh K. Aghara
Department of Chemical Engineering
Prairie View A&M University
P.O. Box 519; MS 2531
Prairie View, TX 77446

Dear Dr. Aghara:

Congratulations! We, the College of Engineering (CoE) and the University, are pleased to know that your proposal to the 2007 NASA Administrator's Fellowship Program (NAFP) has been selected for award. This is a wonderful honor for you and for Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU). I am pleased to recommend to Dr. E. Joahanne Thomas-Smith, Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs, that you accept the NAFP award with full support from the CoE. We strongly support your decision to accept this opportunity as it will further strengthen the invaluable partnership between the University and NASA.

As a junior faculty member nearing the end of his 3rd tenure year you fare high in our expectations. Specifically, your diligent work in leading the efforts to establish nuclear engineering education and research focus at PVAMU has shown good progress. Among other projects your research efforts through the Center for Applied Radiation Research (CARR); and the Massie Chair of Excellence successfully demonstrate your commitment to research and development.

You have shown equal vigor in your commitment to teaching by adopting both traditional pedagogical and modern teaching tools. In particular, your accomplishments in the development of coursework and curriculum for nuclear engineering concentration are noteworthy. Your enthusiasm in student mentoring, serving on graduate committees and establishing a radiation detector laboratory are valuable contributions.

You have served the university through active participation in college and university committees and as faculty advisor to student organization on campus. By serving as a peer reviewer for publications and proposals, organizing and chairing technical sessions at national conferences, you have represented PVAMU aptly. You have maintained a balance of publication in peer-reviewed journals and conference publications including co-authored papers with students.

Overall, you have demonstrated a history of consistent performance in research, teaching and service, and your selection as a member of the 11th cohort of the NAFP continues this trend. Your proposed activities at NASA Langley Research Center (LaRC) align well with the University's expectation from its tenure-track faculty; hence, the university will honor these activities towards your tenure-track years.

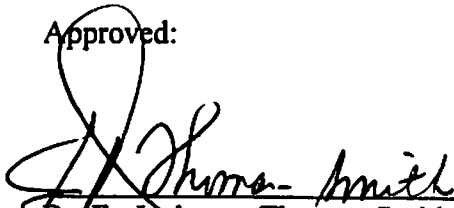
To show its commitment to your efforts, on your return, the College of Engineering will provide you an environment conducive to continuing your research from the fellowship and integrating new courses into the curriculum. Specifically, subject to availability of funds, you will be granted a quarter (25%) release time during the first semester of your return.

Sincerely,



Milton R. Bryant, Ph.D.
Dean

Approved:



Dr. E. Joanne Thomas-Smith
Provost & Sr. Vice President for Academic
and Student Affairs

8/7/07
Date

CC: Dr. W.F. Trotty, Vice President, Research and Development;
Dr. K. Harris, Associate Dean, College of Engineering
Dr. I. W. Osborne-Lee, Department Head, Chemical Engineering Department

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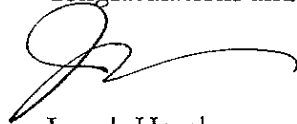
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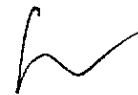
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