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Dr. Stephen P. Castillo
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Dear Dr. Castillo:

The Industrial Innovation and Partnerships (IIP) Division's Committee of Visitors Report was previously transmitted by Dr. Louis Martin-Vega and Tom Knight, Co-Chairs of the IIP Committee of Visitors (COV). We thank you and the COV members for their support of the NSF IIP programs.

I have attached a response to the recommendations in the IIP COV report that was prepared by Dr. Kesh Narayanan, the Division Director of the Industrial Innovation and Partnerships Division. I concur with this document and adopt it as the official response of the Directorate for Engineering.

I wish to express my appreciation to the individuals who participated in the COV review. This process is critical to the management of the Directorate, and will help to guide our future decision-making.

Sincerely,



Thomas W. Peterson
Assistant Director
Directorate for Engineering