PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT

National Science Foundation (NSF), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Office of Naval Research (ONR), Department of Energy (DOE), Department of Agriculture (USDA), Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR), Army Research Office (ARO), Army Medical Research & Materiel Command (USAMRMC), National Aeronautics & Space Command (NASA), and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Name of Participating ERI

PURPOSE

The purpose of this agreement is to promote increased research productivity in the conduct of Federally supported research and education, provide for enhanced stewardship under Federally supported programs and achieve reductions in administrative burden and costs associated with sponsored research and education.

PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS

The participating institution agrees to:

1. Establish and maintain management and administrative procedures and systems that comply with the standards and requirements of the federal government for administering federal awards for research. Institutions must not be debarred from doing business with the Federal government.
2. Designate an individual who is the point of contact for FDP activities.
3. Be involved in appropriate meetings, demonstrations and activities.

The participating Federal grant-making agencies agree to:

1. Apply FDP Terms and Conditions to at least grants and to the extent possible to cooperative agreements awarded to FDP Institutional Members.
2. Designate both an administrative and program representative to the FDP, and where possible, a technical representative.
3. Use the FDP as the primary focus for tests and demonstrations of reengineered processes and systems for the support of research.
4. Actively participate in regular FDP committee and task force meetings, ad hoc working groups, and new or ongoing FDP demonstrations and pilots. Federal agencies shall provide a report to the FDP membership at least every two years.
describing their efforts to reengineer and streamline processes that affect the grantee community.

5. Provide funding for the operating costs of FDP; through GUIRR and/or through other appropriate funding mechanisms.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The parties agree to establish a mutually agreeable date after execution of this Agreement to have appropriate agency awards (new and continuing) to the institution governed by the "FDP Terms and Conditions" (including applicable agency-specific requirements). Each agency will provide official notification to the institution specifying the awards from that agency that are covered and other implementation details affecting that agency's awards. The agency also may include special conditions in their awards on a project-by-project basis, as necessary.

ORGANIZATION

The FDP will be organized generally as set forth in the section entitled "ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE" in the FDP Phase IV Solicitation as announced in the Federal Register on February 8, 2002. The parties may agree, however, to new or modified organizational arrangements during the course of this Agreement.

DURATION AND TERMINATION

This Agreement will remain in effect through September 30, 2008, unless terminated by mutual agreement or by action of the Executive Committee of the FDP. However, it also may be terminated by any of the Federal agencies (so far as such termination relates to the agency's participation) or by the institution with at least 30 days notice to each of the parties. The expiration or termination of any participating agency in this Agreement will not affect the applicability of the terms and conditions used in any awards made prior to the expiration or termination of the agreement. Additional Federal agencies may be added as Parties to this agreement with the approval of the FDP Executive Committee. FDP institutional members will be notified if this occurs.

INSTITUTION:___________________________________________________

SIGNATURE:____________________________________ DATE:__________

NAME:__________________________________________________________

TITLE:__________________________________________________________