Grant Title: EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM TO STIMULATE COMPETITIVE RESEARCH: WORKSHOP OPPORTUNITIES (EPSCoR)

Grant Number: NSF 06-613

Release & Expiration Dates: 2006 release; expiration not listed.

Area of Research: Promote scientific progress nationwide.

Full Proposal Application Deadline: Proposals accepted anytime.

Amount: $500,000 per award. 5 awards.

Length of Support: Not specified.

Eligible applicants: All jurisdictions that meet the current NSF EPSCoR 0.75% eligibility criterion are eligible to submit these workshop proposals. Non-EPSCoR institutions and individuals may participate in the collaborative workshop activities, but they cannot lead the workshop proposal effort.

Agency/ Department: National Science Foundation

Summary: This program is designed to fulfill the NSF mandate to promote scientific progress nationwide. The EPSCoR program is directed at those jurisdictions that have historically received lesser amounts of NSF Research and Development (R&D) funding. Twenty-five states (including NE), the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and the U. S. Virgin Islands currently participate. Through this program, NSF establishes partnerships with government, higher education and industry that are designed to effect lasting improvements in a region/jurisdiction’s research infrastructure, R&D capacity and hence, its national R&D competitiveness. In response to the community’s interest in implementing a more proactive outreach program, the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) will welcome unsolicited proposals from the EPSCoR jurisdictions for community workshops. These workshops will explore innovative ways to address multi-jurisdictional efforts on themes of regional to national importance with relevance to EPSCoR’s goals/objectives and NSF’s mission.