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MEMORANDUM

TO: System and Campus Heads, RC/EEP-Eligible Campuses

FROM: E. Joseph Savoie, Commissioner of Higher Education

RE: The RC/EEP Phase I Strategic Plan and RFP

At its meeting of February 22, 2007, the Louisiana Board of Regents unanimously approved two documents pertaining to the Research Commercialization and Educational Enhancement Program (RC/EEP): the Phase I Strategic Plan, and the Request for Proposals (RFP). These documents were prepared by Regional Technology Strategies, Inc., evolving from varied interactions with campus representatives, and in collaboration with staff of the Board of Regents, the Louisiana Recovery Authority, and the Office of Community Development.

Several observations regarding the RFP should be noted: (1) mandatory Notices of Intent (NOIs) for proposals are due by April 2, 2007; (2) proposals must be submitted by April 16, 2007; and (3) we are still seeking final clarification from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding eligible activities.

Both the RC/EEP Phase I Strategic Plan and RFP are available on the Board's website, <http://laregents.org>. Please forward this information to the appropriate individuals at your institution(s).

If you have any questions regarding these documents, please contact Dr. Kerry Davidson, Deputy Commissioner for Sponsored Programs, at kerry.davidson@regents.la.gov.

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