#### OFFICE OF RESEARCH UPDATE

- I. <u>ARRA (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act) Update</u>
  - UCR has not yet received any ARRA awards
  - NSF will not issue awards until after July 1
  - Federal agency's Office of Inspector General (OIG) also received ARRA funding and are ramping for review of awards made
  - Reporting requirements are evolving, will be different, more frequent and with less reporting time than standard awards.
- II. Cornell Medical School
  - Reached \$2.6 million federal civil fraud settlement
  - Overstated state level of effort in current and pending support

III. NSF-OIG and University of Arizona

• Required UA to review and enhance internal controls of on-line Effort Reporting System

IV. UC Effort Reporting System Review

- System-wide review of UC Effort Reporting System
- Major observation at all campuses was the lack of knowledge over the effort reporting process expressed by PIs interviewed.
- UCOP considering development of system-wide training for PIs in this area.
- V. <u>NIH Salary Rate Cap</u>
  - See <u>http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-09-069.html</u> for official notice.
  - Refer to Academic Personnel at <u>http://academicpersonnel.ucr.edu/salary/</u> for additional info.

#### ACCOUNTING SERVICES UPDATE

I. <u>IRS Form 1099-MISC Reporting</u>. At the February 10 meeting a commitment was made to research and report on the requirements of reporting payments to individuals who are not affiliated with UC or UCR.

This issue is of particular relevance to NSF Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) stipend allowance under Participant Support Cost and similar type payments made to non-affiliated UC and/or UCR individuals and similar type payments.

We expect to complete our research, report the findings and communicate any change in practices that may result on or before April 30, 2009.

## Status: Pending

II. <u>Storehouse Gas and Cylinder Charges – DMG</u>. Review FAU established for each cylinder to maximize the accuracy in recording charges to awards.

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## III. FY2009 A-133 Audit Report Issued

- Report is available at <u>http://www.ucop.edu/costingpolicy/a133auditinfo.html</u>
- Research findings;
  - ✓ Finding 08-01: Untimely Cost Transfers
  - ✓ Finding 08-04: Timeliness of Federal Report Submission
  - ✓ Finding 08-05: Period of Availability
- UCR Financial Standards Steering Committee (FSSC) is considering implementing policy that would prohibit the transfer of payroll and non-payroll expenditures older than 120 days to a contract or grant fund. Such adjustments would be made to a department/college discretionary fund.

## IV. Expiring Funds Notices

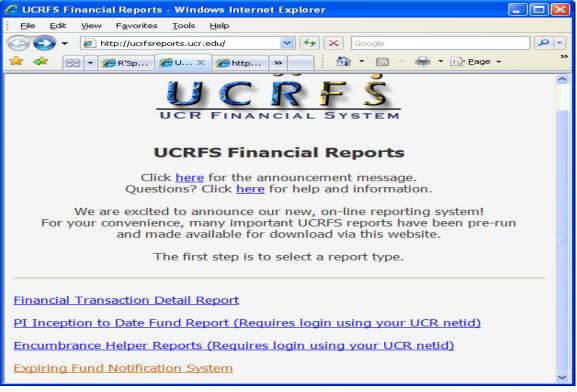
- Initial notification was sent out on April 4, to Principal Investigators and PAMIS Transactors. Refer to Bobbi McCracken's 4/04/2009 email; subject Contact & Grant Expiration Notifications.
- Email notices began being distributed on Monday, April 14 with a total of 82 notices sent to PIs and 282 sent to C&G Analysts.
- Notices are generated to PAMIS transactors, other than the PI's PPS home department PAMIS transactors, if there have been UCRFS journal entries under an activity outside of the principal investigator's PPS home department that have occurred in either the current or prior year.
  - $\checkmark$  Notices will be sent even if transactions sum to zero.
- The process runs each day.
- Notices are sent;
  - ✓ 90 Days digest mode to PAMIS transactors
  - $\checkmark$  60 Days individually to PIs, digest mode to PAMIS transactors
  - ✓ Expiration individually to PIs, digest mode to PAMIS transactors
- Notices are posted on R'Space in the Tools section, under the UCRFS Online Reports Page.
- Only the notices to the Prime PI, as designated on UCRFS fund attributes, Primary Investigator tab are posted.
  - $\checkmark$  The sort order is the same scheme used for the PI Inception to Date Reports.
- Please forward all and any comments and/or recommendations for future enhancements consideration to:
  - ✓ Steve Wilson <u>steve.wilson@ucr.edu</u>
  - ✓ Bobbi McCracken <u>bobbi.mccracken@ucr.edu</u>

Example for fund 58574, expiring 4/30/2009.

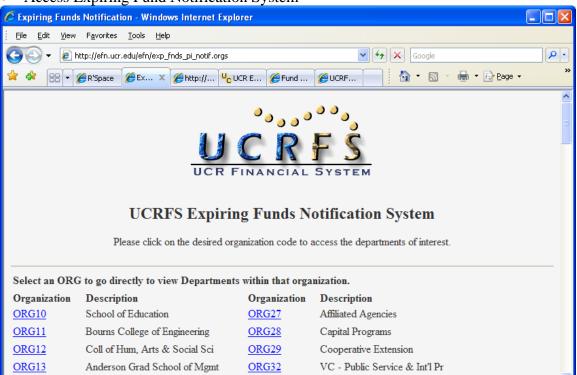
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Please review the award's terms and conditions for final technical and other non-financial reporting requirements.						
Please ensure that all outstanding procurements, travel, payroll obligations and invoices from sub-contractors are finalized to ensure compliance with the financial reporting and award close-out terms of this award.						
Questions regarding this notice should be directed to your departmental financial analyst.						
* You are receiving this email because you are listed as the PI or Co-PI, associated with this expiring award.						
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