



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Institute of Standards and Technology
Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899

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MEMORANDUM FOR: NIST Grantees and Recipients

FROM: Jo-Lynn Davis, Bureau Procurement Official (Acting)
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SUBJECT: Grantee Performance and a Lapse in Appropriations

A lapse in federal appropriations has occurred and the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), a bureau of the U.S. Department of Commerce, has been affected. NIST operations, including those operations related to the Financial Assistance program, will be limited and the Grants Online System will not be available. As a result of limited federal operations, recipients who are paid on a reimbursable basis will be unable to receive payment during a lapse in appropriations.

Generally, grants that were funded and do not require access to Government facilities, active administration by Government personnel or the use of government resources in a manner that would cause the government to incur additional obligations during the lapse may continue performance. The Automatic Standard Application for Payment (ASAP) system is expected to remain operational during a lapse in appropriations. NIST grantees and cooperative agreement holders with existing awards are authorized to continue to perform and have access to and be able to draw down funds through the ASAP.

If you have questions, please contact Jo-Lynn Davis at 301-975-6337 (office), 301-461-3933 (cell) or Jo-Lynn.Davis@nist.gov who will be available during the lapse in appropriations.

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