

## **NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**

NSF is directed to submit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations a spending plan, signed by the Director, detailing its intended allocation of funds provided in this Act within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

### **RESEARCH AND RELATED ACTIVITIES**

For research and related activities, the conference agreement provides a total of \$2,500,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2010. Within this amount, \$300,000,000 shall be available solely for the major research instrumentation program and \$200,000,000 shall be available for activities authorized by title II of Public Law 100-570 for academic facilities modernization.

In allocating the resources provided under this heading, the conferees direct that NSF support all research divisions and support advancements in supercomputing technology.

### **EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES**

The conference agreement includes \$100,000,000 for education and human resources, to remain available until September 30, 2010. These funds shall be allocated as follows:

Robert Noyce Scholarship Program .....	.
Math and Science Partnerships .....	.
Professional Science Master's Programs .....	.
\$60,000,000	
25,000,000	
15,000,000	

### **MAJOR RESEARCH EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION**

The conference agreement includes \$400,000,000 for major research equipment and facilities construction, to remain available until September 30, 2010.

### **OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL**

The conference agreement includes \$2,000,000 for the Office of Inspector General, to remain available until September 30, 2013.

## **SCIENCE**

The conferees agree to provide an additional \$1,600,000,000 for the Science program. After taking into account the additional \$400,000,000 provided for Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E) in a separate account, the funding level for Science is the same as proposed by the House, instead of \$330,000,000 as proposed by the Senate. The conference agreement does not include \$100,000,000 for advanced scientific computing as proposed in the House bill. The Senate bill carried no similar provision.

## **ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY -ENERGY**

The conferees agree to provide \$400,000,000 for the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy authorized under section 5012 of the America COMPETES Act (42 U.S.C. 16538). This funding was provided by the House under "Science". The Senate bill carried no similar provision.