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Dear Dr. Rishi Gupta:

RE: IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence – Notice of Competition Results – 2015-2016

I am pleased to advise you that the Board of Directors of IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence has accepted the recommendation of the Research Management Committee that your project proposal titled “Application of precast products made using bottom ash and fly ash for rural pavements and other infrastructure in India” be approved. As part of the approval of this project, the Board of Directors and Research Management Committee direct you and your research team to ensure that issues of durability of materials being developed are fully addressed and that identification and mitigations of leachants be given significant attention and studied during the research program.

The Board of Directors of IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence has also approved that the Research Program and Budget be funded as follows for the period July 1, 2015 to March 31, 2018:

Fiscal Year	Funding Release Date	Funding Allocation	Notes
2015-2016	As soon as conditions are removed	\$28,750	Subject to University of Victoria Signing the NCE Network Agreement with IC-IMPACTS and Dr. Gupta signing the award letter
2016-2017	September 1, 2016	\$28,250	Subject to Satisfactory Progress made on 2015-2016 Deliverables as determined by the IC-IMPACTS Research Management Committee
2017-2018	September 1, 2017	\$27,500	Subject to Satisfactory Progress made on 2016-2017 Deliverables as determined by the IC-IMPACTS Research Management Committee
Total 3 Year Award		\$84,500	

Terms and Conditions of Award:

Acceptance of this Award by yourself and the University of Victoria will be subject to the following conditions in addition to the acknowledgements, consents and agreements you provided as part of your application package to IC-IMPACTS:

1. Signing by the University of Victoria of the NCE Network Agreement with IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence;

2. Recognition that these funds are limited to supporting the direct costs of research as delineated under the financial policies of the Tri-Council granting councils and agreement to abide by all Tri-Council funding and reporting requirements;
3. Agreement that funding will be expended as provided in your budget submission as part of your proposal to the IC-IMPACTS Research Project Competition. Any changes of more than 10% per fiscal year to any budget category of this budget plan must be submitted for pre-approval to IC-IMPACTS;
4. Agreement that all HQP participating on the project will be required to sign an Acknowledgement Form (Appendix A to the NCE Network Agreement) and that the original of that form will be sent to IC-IMPACTS;
5. The completion of annual progress reporting as provided and required by IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence;
6. Required Financial Reporting of Form 300s by your institution to IC-IMPACTS by April 30, of each fiscal year;
7. Agreement for IC-IMPACTS to showcase your research project and its successes for IC-IMPACTS promotional, informational, or required reporting purposes in print, electronic, or other communication formats. It is recognized that any public disclosure of such information will provide you with the opportunity for advance review to ensure that all proprietary elements of the research are protected;
8. Agreement that you will attend at least one IC-IMPACTS organized workshop or conference in India, the funds for travel and accommodation for which will be covered through this award; and,
9. Agreement that you or a member of your research team will attend each annual IC-IMPACTS technical conference in Canada organized during the period of your award, the funds for travel and accommodation for which will be covered through this award.

Arrangements for transfer of funds from IC-IMPACTS to the University of Victoria and set up of a research account for this project will be coordinated through IC-IMPACTS, the University of British Columbia and your Institution.

Financial Reporting:

A Form 300 is required for all IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence money received and/or expended by the researcher at the end of each fiscal year. These Form 300s must be completed and sent to IC-IMPACTS by no later than April 30 of each fiscal year. The Network Investigator as well as the University Finance Officer must sign the Form 300.

Removal of Conditions:

Ms. Sue Roppel, Chief Operating Officer of IC-IMPACTS will work with the University of British Columbia University-Industry Liaison Office and your Institution to invite the University of Victoria to sign the NCE Network Agreement with IC-IMPACTS. The NCE requires all Institutions with researchers being funded by IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence to sign and accept the terms and conditions of the agreement prior to the release of any funds. Ms. Roppel will notify you as soon as your institution has signed the agreement.



I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you on your success in the IC-IMPACTS Centres of Excellence Research Proposal Competition and to wish you every success in your research program. I look forward to hearing of the progress being made and ultimately seeing your contribution to helping IC-IMPACTS create healthy communities in Canada and India.

To accept the terms and conditions of this award, please sign where provided below and return to Ms. Sue Roppel, Chief Operating Officer, IC-IMPACTS at the mailing address provided in the footer of this correspondence.

Sincerely,

Dr. Nemkumar Banthia
Chief Executive Officer & Scientific Director

I accept the terms and conditions of this Award:

Dr. Rishi Gupta, University of Victoria

Date: _____

cc: Dr. David Castle, Vice-President, Research, UVic
Dr. Rachael Scarth, Associate Vice President, Research Operations, UVic
Dr. Urmil Dave, Institute of Technology, Nirma University
Ms. Evelyn Miguel, Manager, Research and Trust Accounting, UBC
Ms. Iris Hnik, Internal Legal Counsel, UBC
Ms. Sue Roppel, Chief Operating Officer, IC-IMPACTS

Faculty Member also receives External Reviewer Comments