THE ERNEST ORLANDO LAWRENCE AWARD

Department of Energy
Office of Science
Washington, DC 20585

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Dear Colleague,

We have extended the deadline for nominations for the E.O. Lawrence Award. **Nominations are due May 1, 2006.**

Our "Invitation to Nominate" brochure can be found online at http://www.sc.doe.gov/lawrence/lawrence_brocure(oct2005).pdf. This brochure includes important information about nomination procedures on page 2.

We especially draw your attention to a nomination criterion that is new this year: "Recipients must be in their mid-careers (defined as within 20 years of receiving a Ph.D.)."

The Lawrence Award always has been intended to recognize scientists and engineers at mid-career, but as some of you have noted, past winners have been past that stage. In an effort to ensure the Lawrence Award in fact honors mid-career researchers, this year's Invitation to Nominate includes new language clarifying what is meant by mid-career and emphasizing that focus of the award. We first issued our Invitation to Nominate in 2005, so **only nominees who received their Ph.D.s in or since 1985 will be considered for the Lawrence Award.**

We encourage the community to participate in this prestigious awards programs and look forward to receiving your nominations. We hope you will participate in this prestigious awards program. If you have questions, please contact Nona Shepard at 202-586-5767 or nona.shepard@science.doe.gov

Sincerely,

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