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GULF RESEARCH PROGRAM

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**SCIENCE POLICY
FELLOWSHIP
TERMS OF APPOINTMENT**

The following terms and conditions govern the Science Policy Fellowship you have been awarded, which is administered by the Gulf Research Program of the National Academy of Sciences (NAS), a private tax-exempt corporation. Any requests for changes or modifications must be approved by the NAS Program Officer named in the Award Summary.

AWARD SUMMARY

NAS Funding Opportunity: Science Policy Fellowship – Award Year 2017

NAS Program Officer:

Phone and Email:

NAS Grants Officer:

Fellow Name:

Address:

Host Office Mentor:

Host Office Name:

Host Office Address:

Effective Date: September 1, 2017

Expiration Date: August 31, 2018

Grant Amount: \$

Tenure, Stipend, Allowances, and Benefits

Tenure: Your Gulf Research Program Science Policy Fellowship has a tenure of 12 months, starting on September 1, 2017. You are required to report to your host office no later than September 11, 2017.

Stipend: You will receive a stipend of \$[45,000/55,000], paid in monthly disbursements. Additional support, up to \$5,000, will be provided on a reimbursable basis to offset tuition and/or fees for professional development courses or for professional travel related to your host office experience.

Your Fellowship does not include any dependency or other allowances and you will not be provided with any health insurance or other benefits as part of the Fellowship award.

If your eligibility status changes at any point during the term of your Fellowship (including but not limited to your leaving your position in the host office or leaving your graduate degree program), your Fellowship will be terminated and you will cease to receive stipend payments as of the date of the change in eligibility.

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General Conditions

Acceptance of a Science Policy Fellowship from the Gulf Research Program of the National Academy of Sciences affirms that the information contained in the fellowship application and supporting documents is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge.

Career Goals: By accepting this award, you are affirming that your career goals include protection of environmental and/or human health and/or the pursuit of safer offshore oil and gas operations through research and/or public policy.

Professional Development: You are encouraged to participate in professional development activities during your Fellowship (e.g., science communication course, project management course, conferences or meetings relevant to your host office placement). Additional support, up to \$5,000, will be provided on a reimbursable basis to offset tuition and/or fees for professional development courses and meetings or for professional travel related to your host office experience. Requests for use of your \$5,000 allotment must be submitted in writing to the NAS Program Officer identified in the Award Summary following the guidelines provided during your orientation. You will be paired with a professional mentor and will be required to meet (in person or remotely via phone or some internet-based meeting service, such as Skype or Google Hangout) with your mentor at least monthly.

Fellowship Orientation and Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill and Ecosystem Science Conference: You will attend a Fellowship Orientation, to be held in Washington, DC in September 2017 and the Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill and Ecosystem Science Conference, to be held in New Orleans, LA in February 2018. Travel expenses for these events will be covered by the Gulf Research Program; these expenses are in addition to the fellowship stipend and \$5,000 professional development support.

Major Changes

Major changes in your duties within the host office or a change in host office requires prior approval by the NAS Program Officer identified in the Award Summary.

Employment and Other Awards

You may not be employed, including teaching assistantships, while on fellowship tenure. If extenuating circumstances exist the NAS may consider waiving this restriction. To be considered for a waiver, you must make a request in writing to the NAS Program Officer identified in the Award Summary *before* final arrangements for employment are made.

You may not accept remuneration from another major fellowship or similar external award while on Gulf Research Program Science Policy Fellowship tenure without prior approval from the NAS Program Officer identified in the Award Summary.

Acceptance of unapproved employment or of remuneration from another major fellowship or similar external award may result in NAS terminating your award.

Reporting Requirements

You will be required to submit a mid-year progress report and a final report after completion of your Fellowship. The reports are expected to include a statement of accomplishments. Failure to submit required reports may result in stipend payment suspension until the requirements are fulfilled. Stipend payments will be contingent upon receipt of the mid-year progress and final

reports. You will also be required to participate in monthly professional development conference calls organized by the Gulf Research Program.

Liability

The NAS does not assume any responsibility to you or your dependents for any compensation for your injury, disability, or death during the tenure of your Fellowship.

Taxation

Your Gulf Research Program Science Policy Fellowship award is considered income from a non-compensatory fellowship. The NAS is not required to report payments on 1099-MISC and will not send you any official tax form. You are encouraged to contact a tax advisor to determine individual tax liability.

Program and Award Administration

The Gulf Research Program of the National Academy of Sciences administers the Science Policy Fellowship and follows your progress. Inquiries concerning all aspects of program and award administration should be directed to the NAS Program Officer identified in the Award Summary.

ACCEPTED BY:
(FELLOW NAME)
Fellow Signature:
Date: