



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary
Washington, D.C. 20201

August 28, 2019

Patricia Hawk,
Assistant Vice President
Office for Sponsored Research and Award Administration
Oregon State University
308 Kerr Administration Building
Corvallis, OR 97331-2140

Dear Patricia Hawk:

This letter confirms the approval sent to you via email on July 9, 2018 to continue the use of micro-purchase threshold (MPT) of \$25,000 for Oregon State University based on State Code (ORS352.087), and in accordance with OMB Memorandum M-18-18.

M-18-18 implements the National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2017 and 2018. The memorandum reflects an increased threshold for micro-purchases made under Federal financial assistance awards from \$3,500 to \$10,000, and raises the threshold for simplified acquisitions from \$150,000 to \$250,000. It allows higher increases beyond the stated thresholds based on cogent justifications, and the review and approval from the cognizant federal agency for indirect costs. To receive a higher threshold, the requesting institution must show proof of either clean single audit findings in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.520, an acceptable internal risk assessment, or that the higher threshold requested is consistent with State law for public institutions.

The Division of Grants (DG) reviewed and approved your request based on state law justification. Please note that HHS reserves the right to rescind this approval if there is a negative change in the factor upon which this approval is based. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Gregg Ukaegbu at (202) 690-6574.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yolanda Jones", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Yolanda Jones
Acting Associate Deputy Assistant for Grants
Department of Health and Human Services