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TO: Directors, NASA Centers
FROM: Associate Administrator
SUBJECT: Enhanced Use Leasing Agreements

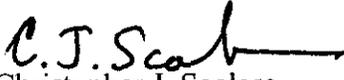
Enhanced Use Leasing (EUL) authority was extended to all NASA Centers as of December 31, 2008, pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008 (P.L. 110-161), as amended by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2008 (P.L. 110-422). NASA is very pleased to have this expanded authority.

P.L. 110-161 and P.L. 110-422 modify NASA's original EUL demonstration authority that must be incorporated into Agency procedures. NASA will review the Agency's experience with, and lessons learned from, the EUL demonstration program. Furthermore, as NASA prepares to take advantage of expanded EUL authority, there are ongoing Agency activities that should inform the implementation of the authority, including the ongoing review of Agency leasing practices for a report due to Congress in April 2009 and the ongoing Agency Facilities Study commissioned by the Strategic Management Council. Finally, a review of NASA's existing facilities and financial policies for EUL is necessary before the full implementation of expanded EUL across the Centers.

Therefore, I am directing that no new EUL agreements, regardless of term or annual receipt amount, be finalized until further guidance is issued, expected no later than the summer of 2009. At that time, I expect the aforementioned activities to be complete. This does not preclude the Centers from discussing anticipated out-grants with potential lessees or the NASA Headquarters Office of Infrastructure's Facilities Engineering and Real Property (FERP) Division at the conceptual phase.

The FERP Division is responsible for coordinating the use of the EUL authority across the Agency. Until further notice is issued, the Centers shall submit all EUL proposals to the Headquarters, FERP Division, for review. This review by the FERP will ensure that the new EUL authority is being used appropriately and effectively and will allow the FERP the opportunity to provide guidance on alternative lease methods that may be more appropriate.

If you or members of your staff have questions regarding this memo or other issues relating to EUL, please contact Mr. Frank Bellinger at 202-358-0579 or by e-mail at Frank.T.Bellinger@nasa.gov.


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