

## THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT / THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK / ALBANY, NY 12234

TO:

The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

Acting in their Capacity as Trustees of The University of

the State of New York

FROM:

Valerie Grey, Fiscal Agent

SUBJECT:

Acceptance of a \$3,500,000, three-year grant from GE

Foundation (the "Foundation")

DATE:

December 6, 2012

**AUTHORIZATION(S):** 

Issue for Decision

Approval of a \$3,500,000, three-year grant to The University of the State of New York Regents Research Fund from the Foundation. The Foundation helps to prepare young Americans for careers in a global economy. The Foundation is addressing this education imperative by supporting high-impact initiatives that improve access to, and the equity and quality of, public education.

## Reason(s) for Consideration

This grant from the Foundation is awarded to support the Regents Research Fund Fellowship Program's work to create high-quality curriculum materials aligned with the Common Core Learning Standards (CCLS), provide professional development and communication related to the CCLS, and support the creation of assessments aligned with the CCLS. This critical funding will enable identification and retention of Regents Research Fellows and/or consultants who will be responsible for research and analysis to advise the Board of Regents and Department on policy and subsequent implementation.

## Proposed Handling

Approval

## Recommendation

That the Board of Regents accept the sum of \$3,500,000 from the Foundation to support the project described above.