Funding Award and Acceptance Letter

April 24, 2013

Project Leader: Laura Kammin Project Team: Captain Roy Acree, Nancy Holm Project: University of Illinois Medicine Take-Back Program

Re: Sustainable Campus Environment Fee - Award Recommendation

Dear Laura Kammin:

On behalf of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Student Sustainability Committee (SSC), we would like to thank you for considering the funds raised by the Sustainable Campus Environment Fee to implement a project that improves the sustainability of our campus.

SSC is pleased to inform you that we are recommending to the Center for a Sustainable Environment that the University of Illinois Medicine Take-Back Program project receive \$5,000 in grant funding for the project as outlined in the application.

In order to remain eligible for this award, you must agree to the following conditions:

- 1. All funds must be spent by May 31, 2014.
- 2. A final report of all work completed should be provided by June 30, 2014.
- 3. Project status updates and detailed account statements must be provided at the end of each semester until the project is completed.
- 4. Each project is required to fulfill some kind of outreach component which may require a poster submittal, videos, photos, etc. The project applicant will work with SSC to determine the best form of outreach.
- 5. Any substantial modifications to project scope, budget, or timeline must first be approved by SSC.
- 6. All projects will be expected to follow campus policies and procedures as well as any applicable State and Federal laws.
- 7. SSC reserves the right to revoke funding if the project does not comply with the terms and conditions outlined in this letter.

If you agree to the terms and conditions for the funding, please sign on the designated line at the bottom of this letter. If you have any questions regarding these requirements please contact the SSC Program Advisor, Mckenzie Beverage, at mbeverag@illinois.edu. You will be notified when the Center for a Sustainable Environment officially approves this project. Again, thank you for your interest in improving the sustainability of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. We look forward to working with you in the future.

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Project Information

Project: University of Illinois Medicine Take-Back Program

Funding Source: Sustainable Campus Environment Fee

Funding Amount: \$5,000

 $\textbf{Award Code: } 1\text{--}303692\text{--}384127\text{--}384801\text{--}384MED}$

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Applicant Project Description:

Pharmaceutical chemicals have been documented in rivers, lakes, groundwater, soil, and treated drinking water across the country. Despite occurring at very low levels, the chemicals are known to cause changes in behavior, reproduction, and growth in fish, frogs, mussels, and other aquatic wildlife. Researchers do not yet know what the human health implications of long-term exposure might be, but there are concerns about antibiotic resistance as well as fetal exposure. Additionally, each year thousands of children, elderly people, and pets are accidentally poisoned from consuming prescription medications; sometimes leading to severe medical outcomes or death. Unused medications stored in the home may also be sources for drug misuse and abuse. Goal: To help tackle these environmental and social issues, Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant (IISG) is working to establish a medicine collection program for the University of Illinois Campus and the C-U community that would properly dispose of expired or unused medications via EPA-recommended incineration. Desired Outcome: The University of Illinois Medicine Take-Back Program would be part of a larger proposed community project called the C-U Area Medicine Take-Back Program. While there have been several single-day medicine collection events held by universities around the country, to our knowledge, this would be the first permanent medicine collection hosted by a university in the United States. This program would: 1. reduce the amount of expired or unused medication entering local waterways or landfills, and 2. put the University of Illinois on the map as a leader in sustainable pharmaceutical waste management. Note: Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant, the Illinois Sustainable Technology Center (ISTC), and the University of Illinois Police Department are requesting \$5,000.00 from the Student Sustainability Committee as seed funding to get the campus medicine collection program up and running. The funds would be used soley for the University of Illinois Medicine Take-Back Program. Other sources of funding are available to fund the C-U Area Medicine Take-Back Program.