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To: VSoE Faculty and Staff

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Subject: VSoE Research Innovation Fund Results

VSoE Faculty,

I am pleased to announce the results of the first Call for Proposals for the new VSoE Research Innovation Fund. The following projects were selected for funding:

"Organized Research Unit (ORU) on Carbon Capture and Sequestration: Meeting the Needs of the Energy Sector"

Fokion Egolfopolulos, Kristian Jessen, Muhammad Sahimi, Joe Qin,
Theodore Tsotsis, and Don Zhang

"Establishing a New USC Invited Workshop on Theory and Practice in Wireless Networks",
Bhaskar Krishnamachari, Konstantinos Psounis, and Ramesh Govindan

"Startup Development of the Space Engineering Research Center (SERC)"
Joseph Kunc and David Barnhart

"Targeted Delivery of Antigen for Novel Vaccines",
Pin Wang and Richard Roberts

All submitted proposals were reviewed by the Engineering Faculty Council Research Committee and by the Dean's office. A total of \$50,000 was awarded over the four selected projects. We look forward to the next round of proposals when the spring RFP is issued, expected in March 08.

Congratulations to all and happy holidays!

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