Advisory Committee for the Kentucky Water Resources Research Institute

I. Introduction

The primary role of the Kentucky Water Resources Research Institute (Institute) is to coordinate university research in the broad area of water resources throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The Institute administers the Title I Annual Allotment Program, makes recommendations on proposals submitted for the Title I Matching Grants Program, and provides a liaison between Kentucky water resources officials and University faculty. The Advisory Committee of the Kentucky Water Resources Institute formulates recommendations and gives advice to the Director of the Institute.

II. Membership

A. The Advisory Committee of the Kentucky Water Resources Institute is appointed by the Vice President for Research (VPR), who also designates the chair. Committee members other than those with ex officio status normally shall have staggered three-year appointments.

B. The membership of the Committee shall be comprised as follows:

1. Faculty representatives from the University of Kentucky;
2. Faculty representative(s) from other participating state-supported universities;
3. The Vice President for Research, or designee, (ex officio);
4. The Director of the Water Resources Institute (ex officio);
5. The Director of the Kentucky Geological Survey (ex officio), who provides a liaison between the University Advisory Council and the State Advisory Council, the latter Council consisting of the leading water resources officials throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and
6. Any other ex officio member(s) designated by the VPR.

III. Responsibilities

A. The specific charge of this Advisory Committee is to:

1. Formulate recommendations and provide advice to the Director on proposals submitted to the Institute in competition for the Title I Annual Allotment Program. Proposal evaluation is based on scientific and technical merit of the proposed research, the competence of the faculty investigators,
and relevancy of the research to Kentucky and regional water resource problems;

2. Make recommendations to the Director on the Kentucky Water Resources Institute Plan (Plan), submitted to the Institute by leading water resources officials throughout the Commonwealth. The Plan is made available to university faculties throughout Kentucky to identify for them the most significant water resources problems of Kentucky and the region;

3. Advise the Director on methods for improving the liaison between university faculty and Kentucky water resources officials, in an effort to direct faculty research to vital Kentucky water resources problems; and

4. Provide advice to the Director on Institute policies and procedures.

B. The Committee shall maintain written minutes of meetings and, on request, shall prepare special reports for the Vice President for Research.

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