

ACS Corporation Associates
Grant Proposal
For

**Committee on Technicians Affairs, Division of Chemical Technicians, and National
Chemical Technician Award Anniversary Event at 2009 Fall National Meeting**

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The ACS Division of Chemical Technicians requests \$10,000 funding from ACS Corporation Associates to assist in sponsoring the Committee on Technicians Affairs (CTA), Division of Chemical Technicians (TECH), and National Chemical Technician Award (NCTA) Anniversary Event at the 238th ACS National Meeting, Washington, DC, August 16-20, 2009.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Division of Chemical Technicians (TECH) and Committee on Technician Affairs (CTA) are in the initial planning stages for co-sponsoring an Anniversary Event at the Fall 2009 national meeting in honor of CTA's 45th anniversary as an ACS committee. This event would also recognize TECH's 15th anniversary as a full division of the ACS, and the 20th anniversary of the NCTA (National Chemical Technician Award), which was originally administered and sponsored by the CTA. The NCTA, the only national award for chemical technicians, is given annually to a technician who has demonstrated an extremely high degree of professionalism as a chemical technician. As a part of this anniversary event, eight NCTA recipients would be invited to speak on their work and on the effect that the award has had on their lives and careers at a panel discussion. In addition, eight CTA / TECH Past-Chairs would be invited to participate in a different panel discussion centered around technician career paths in industry (or a similar topic). The panel discussions will be in conjunction with a President's Event. This event will bring in Past and Present ACS Presidents both from industry and education to present at a symposium on the changes of the Applied Chemical Technology Professional over the years and the effects that changes will have on undergraduate programs in the future. All three events will be followed by a Celebration Reception to honor TECH, CTA, and NCTA. This celebration will mark technician's milestones in ACS.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM

2009 marks a number of important anniversaries for technicians in the ACS. It is most appropriate that they be celebrated at an Anniversary Event at the fall national meeting. TECH and CTA initiated the idea of an Anniversary Event in honor of TECH's, CTA's, and NCTA's anniversaries. As part of the event, TECH would like to invite eight past recipients of the NCTA to the meeting and celebration to talk about their work and to participate in a panel discussion on effect that the award has had on their lives and careers. Eight CTA / TECH Past Chairs would also be invited to participate in a different panel discussion centered around technician career paths in industry (or a similar topic). In addition, five Past and Present ACS Presidents both from industry and education will be invite to present at a symposium on the changes in the Applied Chemical Professional over the years and the effects that changes will have on the undergraduate programs in the future. Several of the past NCTA recipients, CTA / TECH Past Chairs, and former Presidents are retired and would have to cover all of their own travel expenses. In order for the event to be successful, it is vital that a majority of the past recipients, chairs, and Presidents are able to participate. TECH would like to offer travel awards to those who are unable to get employer support to come to the meeting. The travel award would be paid in the form of reimbursement and range from \$750 - \$1200, depending on need. In

conjunction with the panel discussion and the President Event, a Celebration Reception would be held to honor TECH, CTA, and NCTA. At the Celebration Reception, several TECH members and ACS staff members who have made significant contributions to the success of CTA and TECH will be awarded Salute to Excellence Awards. (Other awards that will be presented are the TECH Distinguished Service Award and Technician Affiliate Group awards.)

Project Outline

Invite the eight past NCTA recipients and eight past CTA /TECH past chairs to the 2009 Fall ACS national meeting to speak at a panel discussion and along with five Past and Present ACS Presidents to speak symposium on the changes in the Applied Chemical Professional over the years. Offer partial funding from the grant to help cover travel expenses for those who are unable to get company funding to attend. Funding will also be used to hold a Celebration Reception to honor TECH, CTA, and NCTA.

Program Objective:

An Anniversary Event will formally recognize technician's milestones in ACS and promote professionalism of chemical technicians. Successful chemical technician careers will be showcased through two panel discussions of NCTA recipients and past CTA/TECH chairs, through a past and present President symposium, and through a Celebration Reception.

AMOUNT OF MONEY REQUESTED

The ACS Division of Chemical Technicians is requesting \$10,000 of funding from ACS Corporation Associates to assist in travel expenses and Celebration Reception expenses.

- TECH and CTA would like to offer up to \$1250 in travel reimbursement to those NCTA recipients, past CTA/TECH chairs, former ACS President that are unable to get employer sponsorship to travel to the meeting. The amount offered would be limited to grants/funding TECH receives for this event plus up to \$3000 from TECH's own funds. Although potentially \$26,250 could be requested in travel funds, we estimate (based on previous experience) that actual requests will amount to about \$18,000. In addition, the Celebration Reception may cost up to \$5000. TECH also plans to apply for a DAC Innovative Project Grant to help defray the costs.