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Rocky Mountain Section

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Dear Rocky Mountain Section Member,

We invite you to participate in your Local Section's new Matching Gifts Program to raise funds for promoting and sponsoring science and engineering education in the Rocky Mountain region.

Over the past decade, your officers and fellow members of the Section have donated significant time and effort acting as judges and mentors in Chemical Engineering competitions at the university level, and at the Colorado State Science Fair for high schools (CSSF). In addition, the Section has provided first and second place monetary awards to junior and senior high school winners of the CSSF. These efforts have been well received and appreciated by the local community as demonstrated by enthusiastic "Thank You!" notes from bright young participants who are excited about the rewarding prospects offered by our profession.

Consistent with the goal of advocating Chemical Engineering among students, the Section would like to enhance and expand efforts in these valuable and leveraging areas by 1) increasing the CSSF awards, 2) adding direct financial support to Student Sections of AIChE at the approximately seven universities in the region, and 3) supporting creation of a local Young Professionals Group for recent ChE graduates.

Toward these goals, we would like to solicit your financial support. The board feels it possible to make available \$1,000 (about 10% of our treasury and 15% of our annual budget) in the form of a Matching Gifts Program, wherein Section membership donations would be matched up to that amount. Ideally, we hope donations and participation from, and growth in, Section membership will allow sustainable outreach efforts.

We sincerely hope you will consider participating in the Matching Gifts Program by making a check payable to Rocky Mountain Section AIChE and send to the treasurer at the address below, or via Paypal on our website at : <http://www.aiche.org/community/sites/local-sections/rocky-mountain/announcements/donate-rocky-mountain-aiche> You will of course, be appropriately recognized for your generosity as a sponsor, and your contribution would be a 501(c)(3) tax deductible donation. As in the past, we intend to present periodic reports in the newsletter to keep you apprised of the program and its allocations.

Kindest Regards,



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