

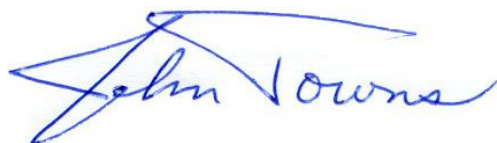
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Dear Jorge:

I have received your letter of May 6, 2013 expressing your wish to participate in the XSEDE Federation as a Level 3 Service Provider (SP) by offering your valuable perspectives and best practice ideas to other XSEDE service providers on topics such as HPC system administration, data storage including large-scale data storage, bioinformatics, networking, software utilization, and user support. Your letter has been reviewed with the XSEDE Senior Management Team and we are very pleased to inform you that we approve your request for membership in the XSEDE Federation as a Level 3 Service Provider.

With this letter, on behalf of the XSEDE Program, I affirm XSEDE's understanding of the mutual responsibilities of XSEDE and SPs as documented in the XD Service Providers Forum: Charter, Membership, and Governance document (version 10.1, dated 2 February 2012, at: https://www.xsede.org/documents/10157/281380/SPF_Definition_v10.1_120228.pdf) and commit to fulfill our obligations as described therein. In the event that you have an issue with XSEDE's performance, please contact me directly. Similarly, if we perceive an issue, we will contact you. In either case we commit to work with you to resolve any issues. XSEDE looks forward to working with you and your staff at the Minnesota Supercomputing Institute to advance the mission of XSEDE and the NSF in advancing the nation's research capability.

Sincerely,



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