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Tuition Rate Adjusted for Flood-impacted Students

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Board of Regents today agreed to set a special in-state tuition rate for out-of-state college students who are directly impacted by the hurricane and flood-related disasters in the Gulf Coast area. Free residence hall space also will be offered to these students as space is available.

The in-state tuition rate is \$76.35 per credit hour. It will be available to those students enrolling at South Dakota public universities whose education has been interrupted as a result of Hurricane Katrina and flood-related activity in the Gulf Coast region. The regular non-resident tuition rate for students is \$242.60 per credit hour.

“We know that this tragedy has created a lot of uncertainty and heartache for many students,” said Regents President Harvey C. Jewett. “I’ve seen estimates that as many as 150,000 college students at roughly 30 campuses were impacted in the Gulf Coast area.”

Last Friday, the regents also agreed to extend the fall admissions deadline until Sept. 23 for college students impacted by the hurricane and flooding. That action allowed both South Dakota residents and out-of-state students who were enrolled at universities in New Orleans and other impacted Gulf Coast areas to begin their studies this fall at any of the six South Dakota public universities.