# Application Submission System & Interface for Submission Tracking (ASSIST) Version 2.9.0.8 Release Notes

## New Features

### Ability to Copy an Application

The *Copy Application* feature has been added to ASSIST. This feature allows Signing Officials (SO) and Administrative Officials (AO) users to duplicate an existing application for submission under another FOA. The feature copies the application structure; organization and person data; assigned access levels; components, including identifiers and short names (where applicable); and forms data. Attachments are not copied over to the new application.

This feature should reduce the amount of manual effort for applicants preparing resubmissions.

Look for the **Copy Application** button on the left-side **Actions** panel.

For more information, including the steps for completing the process, refer to the *Copy Application* topic of the *ASSIST Online Help System*.

### Ability to Delete Applications and Components

Restricted by role, ASSIST users now have the ability to permanently delete entire applications or specific components (other than Overall) of an application.

SOs will see the **Delete Application** button on the **Actions** panel while on the *Application Information* page. This button is used to permanently delete the entire application. Refer to the *ASSIST Online Help System* topic titled *Delete the Application* for more information and for instruction on completing the process.

From the **Summary** tab of a component, SOs, AOs, and Principal Investigators (PI) can select the **Delete Component** button to permanently delete a specific component. Deleting the component removes it from the application and updates the **Application Status History** to reflect the deletion. Refer to the *ASSIST Online Help System* topic titled *Delete a Component* for more information and for instruction on completing the process.

**NOTE:** It is not necessary to delete individual components before deleting the entire application.

## ASSIST Access Extended to All eRA Commons Roles

Access to ASSIST has been modified to allow anyone with an eRA Commons role to log into the system using those same credentials. Previously, only certain eRA Commons roles were given access to ASSIST.

## Application Image (PDF) Format Enhancements

The PDF version of multi-project applications has been enhanced for greater usability. The Table of Contents now indents the forms and attachments of each component of a particular component type.

## Unique File Names Required for Multiple Attachments on a Single Form

A new file name restriction has been implemented for form attachments. When uploading multiple attachments on a single form, each file name must be unique. Duplicate file names may exist across multiple forms.

# Known Issues

## Application Submissions Larger than 128MB Result in Errors

When submitting applications greater than 128MB in size, an error occurs and the application image cannot be generated. To work around this issue, users must contact the eRA Help Desk for assistance in submitting the application.

eRA will address this issue in our August release.

## Issue Deleting Applications with Recently Released (Unlocked) Forms

An issue exists with the form releasing feature. Users who are attempting to delete an application with a form that was recently released by another user will first need to log out of ASSIST and log back in to complete the action.

**For example:** Mary is editing a form in an application. *John* attempts to execute the **Delete Application** action on the application, but receives an error indicating that a form in the application is locked by *Mary*. *Mary* gets out of the form so *John* can update the application. On John's subsequent attempt to delete the application, he still receives a message indicating that the form is locked by *Mary*. *John* must log out of ASSIST and log back in in order to complete the action without errors.