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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Dear Sino-Eco Members:

Although I do not intend to make some of you feel regretful, I must say that the Sinoeco annual gathering at Providence, RI, was fantastic. Just to mention some of many activities, Quan Dong ordered fine Chinese food and American white wines for a group of more than a dozen of us, including Professor Li Bo from Inner Mongolia University. Gathering, conversation and Iced Coffee at a Thai Restaurant on Brown's Campus, and a field trip lead and organized by MOU Pu. Of course, dining and having a good time were only part of the gathering. We even had some business taken care of. As you will find from

this issue of newsletter, a bylaw amendment report prepared by MOU Pu and his bylaw amendment committee was well discussed during the business meeting. We were fortunate to have Professor LI Bo, Academician of Academia Sinica, and Professor LU Zhongkang, Professor and Director of Ecology and Zoology Division of China's National Natural Science Foundation (CNNSF), present in our business meeting. Professor LI, apparently pleased to see so many ecologists of a younger generation playing an important role in ESA and the arena of ecological science, invited Sinoeco members to participating the international symposium he is organizing next year to be held in Xilingol, Inner Mongolia! For those who wish to see the great prairie this is a great chance. Do not be concerned with the registration fee, I think you may get a better deal if you really want to go and are short of fund. (Please find the announcement in

this issue.) LI also invited contribution and proposals for a series of books tentatively titled "Ecology Towards Century 21". We will post the formal call as soon as we get it. Meanwhile, please think about it. For those of you who have been interested in collaborating with colleagues back home, Professor LU brought exciting messages. CNNSF welcomes joint and independent proposals from Chinese scholars from overseas, and the funding for ecological science seems to be growing faster than most other disciplines. We will post the guidelines on our Sinoeco homepage in the next few weeks.

Finally, some of my personal observation from the ESA trip. Last time I went to ESA meeting in Honolulu, Hawaii, almost all of our members were either graduate students or postdoctoral fellows. But I see a different, and very encouraging, picture this time. Many of our members have a permanent post, and some even have their own shop that house their graduate students. Looking back to something I wrote a while ago, I feel I was probably too pessimistic.

QI Ye, President, SINO-ECO

NEWS BRIEFS

SINO-ECO member, Dr. Junda Lin has recently been promoted to Associate Professor of Biological Sciences at the Florida Institute of Technology (Florida Tech).

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 ESA Get-together
 (WU Yegang)

This year's get-together at ESA Annual Meeting was a kind of formal. It was listed as "Asian Ecology/Sino-ECO Business Meeting" in the ESA program under "Business Meetings and Special Functions".

The former chairman of Asian Ecology Section of ESA, Dr. CHEN Jiquan (Michigan Technological University), started the meeting. He

simply welcome every one and introduced the new chairman, Dr. MOU Pu (Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University), then handed over the meeting to the new chair. The past-secretary, Dr. PAN Yude (Woods Hole Marine Biological Laboratory) gave an annual report at the meeting. Dr. DAI Ting (University of Georgia) was elected as secretary.

Cosponsored with Sino-ECO, Asian Section invited Prof. LI Bo from China to the meeting to present their research on grassland ecology of Eurasia. Among those ecologists from China attending the ESA meeting, Prof. LU Zhongkang and Dr. OUYANG Zhiyun joined the get-together. Prof. Lu mentioned that there is not an independent division of environment in NSF, but all the environmental studies can be funded through different divisions such as biology, ecology, and chemistry. Later, Sino-ECO President, Dr. QI Ye (Cornell University), chaired the meeting to discuss Sino-ECO business.

POINT OF VIEW

Procedures of Research Proposal Panel Review

(LIN Junda, Ph.D. Florida Institute of Technology)

As Dr. Qi Ye pointed out in his article in the recent issue of the Newsletter, it is very difficult to obtain an academic position in the field of Ecology. Many universities and colleges are only considering candidates who are able or have great potentials to obtain external research funding. As the funding sources continue to shrink, it is vitally important to be able to write a competitive proposal. Recently, I was honored to be invited to participate in two research proposal panel reviews (Ecosystem Protection and Restoration, Risk Assessment of Hazardous Waste) for US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The general review procedures are very similar among the federal agencies and programs (e.g., NSF, NIH, NOAA). Here I would like to share some of my experiences in hope to provide some information for

those who are interested in submitting a research proposal for funding.

The funding agency (agency) identifies and contacts potential reviewers in the field (experts in academia, government, and industry; most are quite established, while a few are relatively junior) and invites them to participate. Each research proposal is assigned to three reviewers (one panel asks me to rank my preferences in the list of proposals to be reviewed first; the other panel simply assign me the proposals) who will provide a written review and a rating for each proposal. The review addresses the scientific merit, qualifications of PI(s), responsiveness to the Request for Proposals (RFP), facilities and equipment, and budget. Rating categories are: Excellent, Very Good, Good, Fair, and Poor.

When considering the scientific merit, a reviewer evaluates the significance of the problem, logic, background information, study approach and design, data analysis, etc. Qualifications of PI(s) include publication (especially in the peer-reviewed journals) and funding records in the proposed field, whether an appropriate team of PIs are assembled in case of an interdisciplinary proposal, which is generally more competitive. It is critical to show cohesiveness of the team if it is a jointed proposal. Whether the proposed project responds well to the scope of the RFP is obvious important. We have reviewed some very good proposals that would be recommended for funding IF they are responsive to the RFP. Whether the PI(s) have adequate facilities and/or equipments to carry out the proposed research is also important. Budget needs to be reasonable, but is not the most important consideration in the rating. If chosen for funding, the agency may negotiate with the PI(s) about the budget, maybe among other things, based on the review panel's recommendations. Besides these specific items, it is important for a proposal to be well-written. It needs to "flow well" and has minimum amount of errors in grammar and/or typos (you would be surprised in how many typos I encountered, it is simply not excusable given today's word-processing technology). The reviewer will give a rating based on the overall evaluation of above-mentioned categories and if applicable, provide suggestions for improvement and/or conditions for funding. We were all instructed to write the review

in the constructive manner so the PIs will not feel offended and/or insulted.

The reviewers are supposed to receive the proposals at least two weeks in advance so they have enough time to provide written reviews (although the two panels I participated only gave me three to four days to read nine to ten proposals because the budget appropriation has been delayed by the congress and the agency is in a hurry to give out the grants!). In the two panels I participated, each reviewer was responsible to read between seven and ten full proposals and additional 30 and 40 proposal Abstracts before the panel meeting.

The panel meeting is chaired by an agency's representative, who does not vote. A panel member will step out of the room if the proposal to be discussed constitutes conflict of interest (e.g., the PI is an advisor or advisee in the last fives, or is from the same institution). In one of the panels I served, the three reviewers were divided into the primary, secondary, and tertiary reviewer. The primary reviewer will summarize the proposed project and gives his/her evaluation and rating. The secondary and tertiary reviewers will provide additional comments and ratings. Only the proposals receive at least one Very Good or Excellent from the three reviewers will be considered further, unless a panel member makes a specific motion to discuss a particular proposal (never occur in my experience). For each of those proposals received at least one Very Good or Excellent, a discussion (sometimes argument) among the panel members (usually 10 to 20) takes place until the members feel that they have enough information to vote. The panel member is asked to rate the proposal based on the discussions and the Abstract. The overall rating is based on the average of all the panel members, not just the three reviewers. The primary reviewer is responsible in writing the panel review summary, which will be sent to the PI(s). The summary incorporates the written reviews of the three reviewers and any additional significant discussion by the panel members and should reflect the overall rating. The agency only considers those proposals highly recommended (receive an overall Excellent rating) and recommended (receive an overall Very Good rating) by the panel (I made a joke in the meeting that Good is not good).

One of the panels I served was divided into two subpanels because number of the proposals to be reviewed was high (98!). We spent the first two days in the subpanel to come up a list of Excellent and Very Good proposals. Then selected panel members from each subpanel stayed for the third day to consolidate the two lists and derive the final list. The list consists of the proposals that the panel recommends for funding. The final selection is made by the agency. In general, the proposals receive Excellent rating are virtually sure of funding, the ones with Very Good will be selected by the agency, based on other considerations the agency may have. The panel normally recommends only a few more proposals than the agency's funding level to allow some discretion by the agency.

The review process is quite intense. It normally takes only 10 to 20 minutes to go through a proposal. I was a little uncertain in a few proposals I reviewed because they fall outside my immediate expertise. But it turned out that there was a high degree of consistency of rating among the panel members of rather diverse backgrounds. Of course, there are cases that strong disagreements occur between or among the members. All the panel members conducted the business friendly, professionally and with competence. My overall experiences are very positive and I come out with high degree of confidence in the peer-reviewed process. The most frustrating thing for me, the first time from the other angle, was that there were so many very good proposals that deserved funding, but were not recommended because of the limited dollars available. In general, only 10-20% of the proposals are selected for funding.

INFORMATION EXCHANGE

International Symposium on Grassland Management
in the Mongolian Plateau Huhhot 15-18 August 1997

Sponsors: College of Life Science of the
Inner Mongolia University and Inner Mongolia
Grassland Ecosystem Research Station of the Chinese

Academy of Sciences

Invitation: The organizing committee of the International Symposium on Grass-land Management in the Mongolian Plateau extends a cordial invitation for those involved or interested in ecology and sustainable management of the grasslands in the Mongolian Plateau or in other temperate, semi-arid grassland areas to participate in the symposium in Huhhot, Inner Mongolia, China in August 1996.

Conference goals: The vast steppe on the Inner Mongolian Plateau located in the center of Inner Asia, and has been traditionally used as grazing land by nomadic Mongols for thousands of years. Its natural and cultural mysteries attracts many scientists or other visitors around the world. During last several decades, grassland degradation and desertification was accelerated due to the changes in land use patterns following the sedentariness of the nomadic society, and the increase of the population and the associated livestock. Human-induced biodiversity loss, productivity reduction, and soil erosion and degradation became increasingly serious. Maintaining the biodiversity and environment in grassland while developing pastoral production presents serious challenges. In order to exchange ideas, experiences and technologies with the worldwide grassland scientists and managers, promote grassland researches and sustainable management, and develop the cooperation, this symposium is organized.

Program themes: Fundamental studies for the sustainable management of grasslands
Grassland biodiversity and conservation
Grazing management techniques
Grassland monitoring and information management
Involvement of social and economic aspect in grassland management

Language: English

Deadlines: Provisional application - 15 December 1996; Receipt of abstract-15 March 1997; Receipt of papers and early registration-15 June 1997; Registration on the Desk 15 8- 16 August 1997

Organizing committee: Chairman: LI Bo; Vice chairman: CHEN Zuozhong; Secretary-general: LI Yonghong; Vice secretary-general: YANG Jie and LI Qihong; Members: CHEN Pengshan (President of the Xilingol League, Inner Mongolia Xilingol), CHEN Zuozhong- (professor and director of the Inner

Mongolia Grassland Research Station, CAS, Beijing), LI Bo (Academician of the CAS, Professor of Inner Mongolia University, Huhhot), LI Qihong (Associate Professor and deputy director of the Management Bureau for Research Projects of Inner Mongolia University Hohhot), LI Yonghong (Professor and deputy director of the Inner Mongolia Grassland Research Station, CAS, Beijing), MA Zhiguang (professor and director of the Inner Mongolia Grassland Research Institute of Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, Huhhot), WANG Zhang (Professor and director of the Management Bureau for Research Projects of Inner Mongolia University Hohhot), Wu Guozhong (Director of the Inner Mongolian Agency for Environmental Protection, Huhhot), YANG Chi (Professor of Inner Mongolian University Huhhot), YANG Jie (Associate Professor and Director of Ecology & Environmental Department of Inner Mongolia University Huhhot), YONG Shipeng (Professor of Inner Mongolia University Huhhot)

Preliminary program:

August 15 Registration

August 16 Opening Ceremony Keynote Addresses

August 17 Concurrent Session

August 18 Concurrent Session Closing Ceremony

August 19 Departure of Post-Conference Tours

Post-symposium tours:

Tour 1: Xilingol Grassland(5 days)

Steppe grasslands on the Mongolian Plateau; Research in the Inner Mongolia Grassland Research Station of the Chinese Academy of Sciences; Xilingol Grassland Biosphere Reserve and its eco-tourism sites; Mongolian traditional culture in harmony with the steppes; Beijing

Tour 2: Rangeland in Ordos Plateau(5days)

Sandy rangeland in the Ordos Plateau; Experimental station of the Grassland Research Institute of the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences; Cashmere goat farm in the desert steppe rangeland; The tomb of the ancient Mongolian Empire Chenji's Han; Wuhai City; Huhhot

Registration fee \$250; Accompanying person/student \$125; Hotel (including meals): \$70; Post-symposium tour:\$250

Please mail the following information to: Secretariat, Ms Dr. YANG Jie Department of Ecology

& Environmental Science, College of Life Science, Inner Mongolia University, Huhhot, 010021, P. R. China. Fax: ++86-471-495 1761 Phone: +86-471-495 4433 ext. 2432: Title (Prof Dr Mr Ms Miss), Name, Present Position, Organization, Postal address, Country, Phone, FAX, E-mail, and whether you propose to present a paper, poster, video or software). If yes, the title.

~~~~~ JOB INFORMATION ~~~~~

Tenure-Track Assistant Professor Positions

The University of Washington College of Forest Resources invites applications for two 9-month tenure-track assistant professor positions. The successful applicants' teaching and research programs are expected to contribute to an increasing emphasis on interdisciplinary approaches within the College and with other University programs. The University of Washington is building a culturally diverse faculty and strongly encourages applications from female and minority candidates. Although the College is seeking persons at the assistant professor rank, under unusual circumstances and commensurate with the qualifications of the individual, appointments may be made at the rank of associate professor or professor.

Wildlife Science

This position offers opportunities for a broadly trained vertebrate ecologist with experience in wildlife-habitat relationships and/or population ecology related to forest management.

Responsibilities: Develop a 3-quarter teaching profile, including courses in a vertebrate ecology specialty and in wildlife-forest relationships, and assistance in other undergraduate courses. Advise graduate and undergraduate students. Participate in public and professional outreach programs of the College. Develop a personal research program.

Requirements: Ph.D. in wildlife science or related field.

Application Closing Date: October 1, 1996.
To apply, send a letter of application, resume/vitae,

transcripts, and three (3) letters of reference to Dr. David A. Manuwal, Chairman, Wildlife Science Search Committee, University of Washington, College of Forest Resources, Box 352100, Seattle, Washington 98195-2100. E-mail: auklet@u.washington.edu.

Landscape Plant Science and Management

This position offers opportunities to pursue teaching, research, and public service in landscape plant science, particularly management and selection of plants for human-dominated landscapes. Responsibilities: Develop a 3-quarter teaching profile, including Landscape Plant Management and other courses supporting the graduate and undergraduate programs of the Division of Urban Horticulture (e.g., part of Restoration Ecology) as well as interdisciplinary programs in the College and the University. Direct graduate students, technical staff, and postdoctoral fellows, as appropriate. Participate in public and professional outreach programs of the College. Contribute to the management of the Center for Urban Horticulture's live plant collections at the Washington Park Arboretum, Union Bay Gardens, and Union Bay Natural Areas. Develop a personal research program in such areas as horticultural physiology, physiological effects of alternative management practices, evaluation of physiological ranges of landscape plants, characterization and classification of urban planting sites, plant testing and evaluation, production of native plants for habitat restoration, and introduction to the landscape industry.

Requirements: Ph.D. in horticulture, urban forestry, botany, ecology, or related field, including significant training in whole-plant physiology, and a record indicating actual or potential leadership in landscape plant science.

Application Closing Date: October 1, 1996.

To apply, send a letter of application, resume/vitae, copies of official transcripts, statement of research interests (including an assessment of critical issues in the field), and three (3) letters of reference to Dr. Kern Ewing, Chairman, Landscape Plant Science and Management Search Committee, University of Washington, College of Forest Resources, Center for Urban Horticulture, Box 354115, Seattle, Washington 98195-4115.

Assistant Professor

Columbia University's Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences seeks an Assistant Professor with expertise in plant physiology and ecology. This person would be based at Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory where he or she would develop a laboratory-based research program. In addition, this person would be expected to aid in the development of the newly established research program at Biosphere 2 involving the impacts of elevated atmospheric CO₂ contents on growth rate and water usage by a variety of plants. A commitment to quality teaching at both the undergraduate and graduate level is expected. The successful candidate will have completed a Ph.D. Postdoctoral experience is a plus. Closing date for applications is October 15, 1996. The intended start date could be as soon as January 1997.

Submit application, curriculum vitae, and a statement of research intent to: David Walker, Chair, Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory of Columbia University, Box 1000, Palisades, NY 10964. Columbia University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Director, Center for the Environment, Cornell University

Cornell University invites applications for the position of Director of the Center for the Environment (CfE), a center chartered to provide coordination for environmental research, teaching, and extension programs across the University. The successful candidate will have strong leadership capabilities and be internationally recognized for intellectual skills in some aspect of environmental research or activity. In addition to serving as the administrator for the Center half time, the Director will have a tenured faculty appointment in an appropriate academic department within Cornell University and will spend half of his/her time pursuing individual interests in research, teaching, or extension as a faculty member. Leadership and management skills are essential.

Applications are due September 15, 1996, and will be reviewed beginning October 1, 1996. Letters of interest and vitae; nominations; and information requests, including confidential inquiries, should be directed to: Daryl Lund, Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, 260 Roberts Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853. C

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 Postdoctoral/Research Assistant

The Academy of Natural Sciences' Patrick Center for Environmental Research seeks Postdoctoral/Research Assistant in Environmental Organic Geochemistry to conduct and actively seek funding for applied studies in environmental geochemistry within the context of the center's mission. The Patrick Center conducts a mix of applied research and contract studies on aquatic ecosystems (freshwater and marine). Candidate will manage and conduct all organic analysis (e.g., hydrocarbons including PAHs, pesticides, ortho and non-ortho congener PCBs, non-traditional organics, etc.), from extraction through analysis, data interpretation, and methods development for water, sediment, and tissue. Minimum qualifications: recent Ph.D. (or M.S. with excellent experience) in analytical environmental chemistry, marine organizational geochemistry, environmental engineering, or related discipline. Experience with "clean" sample techniques, GC/MS/FID/ECD, computers, and environmental/geochemical fate and transport required.

Review of applications begin September 1, 1996. Send curriculum vitae, one-page description of research experience and interests, and three references to: Ms. Helen Kelleher, Announcement Number 540, The Academy of Natural Sciences, 1900 Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19103. The Academy of Natural Sciences is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

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 Principal Research Scientist--Watershed Management

Develop multidisciplinary research programs (Great Lakes and coastal habitats). Preference to those able to integrate questions at ecosystem level and work with existing Center strengths in aquatic ecology, fisheries, GIS, toxicology, earth sciences, hydrology, planning. Ph.D. watershed management, applied limnology, or related field required. Must demonstrate ability to obtain external funding, scientific achievement and aptitude, potential for conducting research in the Great Lakes including working with fisheries management agencies, and teaching and advising ability at graduate level. Prefer discipline to complement current programs and facilities and administrative skills. Initial three-year appointment/potential for renewal. Curriculum vitae, names of three references to: C. Darstein, Great Lakes Center-P1, SUNY College at Buffalo, 1300 Elmwood Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14222. Closing date: September 15, 1996. Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

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 Scientist II - Plant Ecologist

Environmental Sciences Department, Science Applications International Corporation

Hiring manager: Ronald A. Green (e-mail: ron_green@notes.ymp.gov)

Salary range \$35,000 - 47,000

Qualifications: BA/BS degree in Biological Sciences or related field required. Three years experience in collecting vegetation data. Knowledge of basic plant ecology necessary to design field studies, coordinate data collection, and analyze/interpret data. Experience in sampling and estimating parameters of vegetation communities. Ability to work with other scientists and provide supervision to other scientists. Proficient in the use of PC-windows based spreadsheet, database, word processing, and statistical analysis software. Prefer candidate with MS degree or higher in plant ecology, range management, or botany with some knowledge and experience in collecting plant ecophysiology data (plant-water balance data).

Description: Individual will conduct ecological analyses and field studies to monitor and predict the effect of Department of Energy activities

on plant communities. Individual will assist in the coordination of data collection, analysis of vegetation community data, preparation of work instructions, and lead field crews. Work will involve implementation of field studies and preparation of progress and technical reports. Responsibilities also will include assisting with reclamation studies, radionuclide transport modeling studies, and NEPA compliance. Work will be conducted in compliance with established Environmental, Safety and Health regulations and procedures. Job responsibilities will occur in Las Vegas and on the Nevada Test Site. Position available October 1, 1996.

Submit resume to: Pam Anderson, Science Applications International Corporation, Human Resources Department, 101 Convention Center Drive, Suite 800, Las Vegas, NV 89109. Resumes for this position can be submitted electronically via the WWW at <http://www.saic.com/career/jobs/7af2.html>

United Environmental Engineering Corporation (UEEC) is an environmental engineering firm focusing on both domestic and international environmental projects. We specialized in waste water treatment, drinking water quality, hazardous waste disposal, air pollution prevention, flood flows and floodplain management, urban stormwater **management**, geographic information systems, and ecosystems and landscape restoration.

We are inviting the candidates with project experience in solid waste disposal, groundwater pollution monitoring and remediation, geographic information systems, and business administration to apply for the professional opportunity in UEEC. Candidates with Ph.D. or P.E. would be a plus. We are now accepting resumes through e-mail at ueec@interramp.com or mail at 13210 Twinbrook Parkway, Suite 201, Rockville, Maryland 20851. The screening will be started on 9/15/96.

FROM THE EDITORS

The June issue of the newsletter sent to the following

members has been return to the executive editor MENG Fan-Rui. We would not sent this issue to the same address again, but we do like to have you back. Please send us your new addresses if you see this. Other members, please give those whom you know a kind reminder.

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Let's welcome our new member, Dr. Kun_fang Cao, who is now working with Department of Forest Science, Faculty of Agriculture, Utsunomiya University, 350 Mine-machi, Utsunomiya 321 Japan

The executive editor for this issue, ZHOU Weiyang, would like to apologize for the delay in the distribution of this August issue of the newsletter.

SINO-ECOLOGISTS CLUB, OVERSEAS 1996 Membership Application/Renewal Form

GOALS: Sino-Ecologists Club Overseas was founded in 1988 for the purpose of promoting the exchange of ideas, knowledge, and scientific development in Ecology and related sciences, among Chinese ecologists overseas as well as between ecologists overseas and those in China. SINO-ECO provides an efficient channel between Chinese and foreign ecologists, through which mutual understanding and cooperation can be enhanced.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (96): President: QI Ye (Cornell University); Vice-president: Currently Unfilled; Secretary General: ZHOU Weiyang (Hughes STX Co.); Treasurer: TIAN Hanqin (Ecosystem Center, Marine Biological Lab.).

NEWSLETTER: The SINO-ECO Newsletter is issued six times per year by the Sino-Ecologists Club Overseas. Subscription is included with annual membership dues. Comments, suggestions, and news items and articles are welcome and should be sent anytime to the editors' working list: sinoeco-editor@biomod.fw.vt.edu

MEMBERSHIP: Any individual or institution from mainland China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macaw, or any foreign countries, who is willing to recognize and follow the bylaws and pay the membership dues, shall be deemed to be eligible as a member. The annual due is \$5.00 for students and \$10.00 for non-students. Renewal dues should be paid by January of every year. For new members, dues paid before July 1 will cover the current year, and dues paid after July 1, will cover the current year and the following year. Donation is welcome and greatly appreciated. Donation to SINO-ECO Foundation is used to support academic exchanges with colleagues in China. Please fill in the following form and sent it, with your check payable to SINO-ECO, to the treasurer (96): **Dr. Hanqin Tian, The Ecosystem Center, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA 02543 USA.** (Please pay in US Dollars only!)

Name: _____

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Latest Education Degree/Year: _____

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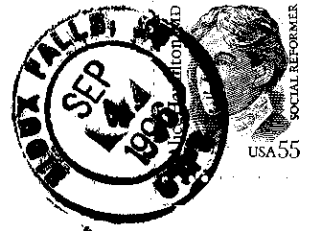
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