Abstract Submitted for the MAR05 Meeting of The American Physical Society

Low temperature anisotropic magnetoresistance studies of the electron-doped superconductor  $Pr_{1.85}Ce_{0.15}CuO_4$  WEIQIANG YU, P. LI, J. HIGGINS, Y. DAGAN, B. LIANG, R.L. GREENE, CSR, Department of Physics, University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742 — We report the low temperature dc transport properties of crystals of electron-doped superconductor  $Pr_{1.85}Ce_{0.15}CuO_4(Tc 25K)$ . By applying the magnetic field beyond  $H_{C2}$ , both inplane and out-of-plane (c-axis) resistivity have a similar metallic temperature dependence with an upturn as the temperature drops below T=13K. For T<sub>i</sub>32K, a negative magnetoresistance develops in the c-axis resistivity at low magnetic field, followed by a positive magnetoresistance at high field. In contrast, the in-plane transport only shows a monotonic positive magnetoresistance in the same (H, T) region. The possible origin of these behaviors and a comparison with hole-doped superconductors will be given. (Supported by NSF DMR- 0352735)

> Weiqiang Yu CSR, University of Maryland- college park

Date submitted: 26 Nov 2004

Electronic form version 1.4