Advanced Research Announcement (ARA): CALL 002 (Amendment -02)

NAICS Code: The NAICS Code for this acquisition is 541715 and the small business size is 1,000 employees.

Federal Agency Name: Air Force Research Laboratory, AFRL/RXT Materials and Manufacturing Directorate, Energy Office

ARA Title: Energy Office – Government Requirement for Advanced Power and Energy (GRAPE)

ARA Type: **CALL 002 – AMENDMENT -02**

ARA Number: FA8650-18-S-5008

With submission of your full proposal as outlined in the Call 002 – please also reference the below that is required to be submitted with all proposals:

Science and Technology (S&T) Protection:
In accordance with Air Force Research Laboratory Instruction (AFRLI) 61-113, "*Science and Technology (S&T) Protection for the Air Force Research Laboratory*", offerors are required to submit the following as part of their proposal:

SF 424:
A completed initial Standard Form (SF) 424, *Research and Related Senior/Key Person Profile (Expanded) Form*, **(Attachment 4)** for all Senior/Key Personnel proposed in support of the AFRLI 61-113

Personnel Risk Assessment Requirement:
Documentation of a Security Program Plan in support of the AFRLI 61-113 Initial Institution S&T Protection Program Review requirement. This must include, at a minimum, a completed Security Program Questionnaire **(Attachment 3)**.

Pre-Existing Plan:
Submittal may also include a pre-existing plan that that the offeror uses as a matter of course or plan developed specifically for this acquisition. The purpose of requesting the plan is to assess the offeror's capacity for protection of the Government's S&T. Failure to demonstrate a plan adequate to meet the needs of the requirements, as determined by the Government in its sole discretion, may be grounds for considering the proposal unawardable

Government Procedures:
The Government will review the submitted S&T protection documentation only for those proposals categorized as Selectable and selected for funding and negotiations.

The Government may require the offeror to submit additional information and/or a mitigation plan for any identified S&T protection risks. If the Government determines the offeror failed to provide adequate additional information; or an acceptable mitigation plan; or it is determined the offeror's S&T protection approach is high risk and does not provide

adequate protection of S&T information, the Government may reject the proposal and withdraw it from consideration for award.

S&T Protection Annual Risk Review:
The Contractor shall provide an SF 424 with the following information: 1) an initial report of all Senior/Key Personnel at the time of award; 2) an annual report of all Senior/Key Personnel providing support; and 3) a report for any new Senior/Key Personnel who join the contract, agreement, grant, or OT. Any updated SF 424s for new Senior/Key Personnel supporting the award require coordination from the Government prior to the contractor employee receiving access to S&T information. The purpose of this report is oversight and should not be construed as relieving the contractor/recipient of any S&T Protection requirements within the contract, grant, agreement, or OT.

No other changes to the Call 002

4 ATTACHMENTS
1) DFARS 252.227-7017 **(posted with Call 002)**
2) Grape Call 002 SOO **(posted with Call 002)** and GRAPE Call 002 Amendment -01 **(Posted on 5 June 2024)**
3) Security Program Questionnaire (submit with proposal) *** NEW * (submit with proposal)**
4) SF 424 – Research & Related Senior/Key Person Profile *** NEW * (submit with proposal)**