Amendment 2 to Call 001 - Initial Connectivity Experiments

Advanced Research Announcement (ARA) with Calls - FA8650-17-S-9300
Defense Experimentation Using Commercial Space Internet (DEUCSI)

Federal Agency Name: Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) - Air Force Strategic Development Planning & Experimentation (SDPE)

This is a revision to Call 001 in order to modify the proposal due date and process.

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MODIFICATION:

Purpose: The following changes are in response to industry concerns associated with proposal submission dates and the development/launch of commercial spacecraft.

Background: Call 001, Section 4, "Schedule/Period of Performance" captures the Government's desire to maximize the probability of experimentation success for each individual effort via flexibility regarding start dates and duration of awards. To this end, the Government wishes to extend that flexibility to proposal submittals thereby encouraging responsive proposals and minimizing Government interference with industry's commercial endeavors.

Revision:

1. The proposal submittal date is now revised to reflect an open period for proposal delivery from 15 December 2017 to 31 January 2018 (no later than 4:00pm Dayton, OH local time).

2. Call 001, Section 9 (Proposal Submission), Section 10 (Proposal Review Information), and Section 11 (Award Administration) remain unchanged. Each proposal submitted will be evaluated individually against the Call 001 criteria. Individual evaluations will commence on, or around, the time of proposal receipt and notifications concerning recommendation for award will occur approximately 30 days from proposal submission.

***It is reminded that the selection of one or more sources for award will be based on technical and cost/price evaluation, importance to agency programs and funding*

availability. The sample funding profile in Call 001, Section 6, is not affected by this amendment, but the open proposal submission process may affect funding availability for any proposals submitted towards the latter part of the Call 001 open period as the pool of funds will diminish in relation to proposals selected for award.

NO OTHER CHANGES ARE BEING ACCOMPLISHED BY THIS AMENDMENT.