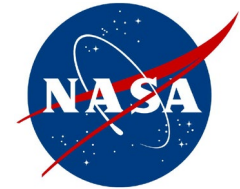


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TO: NASA Civil Servants

FROM: LaRC Office of Procurement (OP)

SUBJECT: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Blackout Notice for Final Request for Proposal (RFP) number 80LARC22R0003 entitled Research, Science, and Engineering Services (RSES).

A Final Request for Proposal (RFP) for Research, Science, and Engineering Services (RSES) was released to industry on May 26, 2022. The resulting contract will provide specialized research, science, and engineering services across fifteen discipline areas. The solicitation is located at the Governmentwide point of entry (GPE) (<https://SAM.gov>) and can be found by entering the RFP number into the “keywords” field.

Effective immediately, all NASA personnel will cease communications with industry and all others concerning this acquisition. This ‘blackout’ period of communication with industry will continue through the receipt and evaluation of proposals, the award of the contract, and the release of the evaluation board from its responsibilities.

NASA personnel shall refer anyone seeking information regarding this acquisition to the designated Contracting Officer:

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Improper communication could jeopardize the integrity or successful completion of the RSES acquisition. Therefore, compliance with the above will ensure the dissemination of uniform responses to all inquiries and eliminate the possibility of preferential treatment of any prospective offeror. This blackout notice is not intended to terminate all communication with offerors. The designated Contracting Officer should continue to provide information as long as it does not create an unfair competitive advantage or reveal proprietary data.

NASA personnel who may be responsible for the administration of existing contracts or agreements that may be related to the RSES acquisition (e.g., TEAMS III, STARSS III, NIA)

shall, at all times, be fully aware of the extremely sensitive nature of this acquisition and maintain compliance with the blackout notice. While it is recognized that some NASA personnel have a need to communicate with prospective offerors relative to the conduct of current ongoing contract work, any communication is limited solely to existing contracts or agreements and shall not be expanded into matters relating to the RSES acquisition. Under no circumstances shall RSES be discussed. It is important that all NASA personnel adhere to this notice to ensure that all offerors are treated fairly and impartially.

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