NOTICE OF PROPOSED AWARD (NOPA)

Natural Gas Pipeline Safety and Damage Prevention Grant
PON-14-503
February 24, 2015

On December 12, 2014, the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) released a competitive solicitation to fund demonstration of natural gas pipeline right-of-way (ROW) monitoring technologies, that are past the “proof-of-concept” stage, in a utility setting, and to develop programs that promote knowledge regarding pipeline safety for both the public and non-industry workers. Up to $4.6 million in Natural Gas Research Program funding is available to fund applications in:

- Group 1 Technologies to Monitor and Report Encroachments on the Pipeline Right of Way
- Group 2 Technologies that Improve Situational Information; and
- Group 3 Technologies that Enhance Integrity Management Practices through Risk Analysis.

The Energy Commission received two (2) proposals by the due date of February 2, 2015 in Group 1. Each proposal was screened, reviewed, evaluated and scored using the criteria in the solicitation. Both proposals passed the Stage One Application Screening.

The attached “Notice of Proposed Awards” identifies each applicant selected and recommended for funding by Energy Commission staff and includes the recommended funding amount and score. The total amount recommended is $2,683,071.

Funding of proposed projects resulting from this solicitation is contingent upon the approval of these projects at a publicly noticed Energy Commission Business Meeting and execution of a grant agreement. If the Energy Commission is unable to timely negotiate and execute a funding agreement with an Applicant, the Energy Commission, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to cancel or otherwise modify the pending award, and award the funds to another applicant.

In addition, the Energy Commission reserves the right to negotiate with successful applicants to modify the project scope, schedule, and/or level of funding.

This notice is being mailed to all parties who submitted an application to this solicitation and is also posted on the Energy Commission’s website at: www.energy.ca.gov/contracts/.

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**Total Funding Recommended**

- $2,683,071
- $2,683,071
- $103,000

**Proposed Awards**

- **Total**
- **Grand Total**

**Passed but Not Funded**

- Applicant Company Name
- Project Title
- $0
- $0
- $0

**Total**

- $0
- $0
- $0

**Did Not Pass**

- Applicant Company Name
- Project Title
- $0
- $0
- $0

**Total**

- $0
- $0
- $0

**Disqualified**

- Applicant Company Name
- Project Title
- $0
- $0
- $0

**Total**

- $0
- $0
- $0

**Grand Total**

- $2,683,071
- $2,683,071
- $103,000