**NOTICE OF PROPOSED AWARD (NOPA)**

**BRIDGE 2020: Bringing Rapid Innovation**

**Development to Green Energy**

**Solicitation# GFO-20-301**

**October 6, 2021**

On July 24, 2020, the California Energy Commission (CEC) released a competitive solicitation titled “BRIDGE 2020: Bringing Rapid Innovation Development to Green Energy” (GFO-20-201) to fund continued technology development in either applied research, or technology demonstration and deployment for the most promising energy technologies that have previously received an award from an eligible CEC program or United States federal agency. Up to $51,000,000 in Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) funding is available to fund applications in groups identified in the solicitation:

* Group 1: Energy Efficiency

*($10 million available funding)*

* Group 2: Energy Storage

*($10 million available funding)*

* Group 3: Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning/Advanced Sensing

*($10 million available funding)*

* Group 4: Advanced Power Electronics/Power Conditioning

*($10.5 million available funding)*

* Group 5: Zero and Negative-Carbon Emission Generation

*($10.5 million available funding)*

The CEC received eleven proposals by the due date, June 18, 2021. Each proposal was screened, reviewed, evaluated, and scored using the solicitation criteria. Eleven proposals passed the stage one application screening.

The attached NOPA identifies each applicant selected and recommended for funding by CEC staff and includes the recommended funding amount and score. The total amount recommended is $14,722,210 with $7,671,870 allocated to applied research and development projects and $7,050,340 allocated to technology demonstration and deployment projects.

Funding of proposed projects from this solicitation is contingent upon the approval of these projects at a publicly noticed CEC business meeting and execution of a grant agreement. If the CEC is unable to timely negotiate and execute a funding agreement with an applicant, the 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 CEC reserves the right to: 1) add to, remove, or shift funding between the different groups if there are insufficient passing proposals in one group; and 2) negotiate with successful applicants to modify the project scope, schedule, or level of funding.

This notice is posted on the [CEC’s website](http://www.energy.ca.gov/contracts/) at www.energy.ca.gov/contracts/.

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Attachment:

To access the embedded attachment double click on the Excel icon to view the Solicitation #GFO-20-301 NOPA results table(s).

