**NOTICE OF PROPOSED AWARD (NOPA)**

**Technical Assistance for the Energy Research and**

**Development Division**

**RFP-22-301**

**March 21, 2023**

On December 13, 2022, the California Energy Commission (CEC) released a competitive solicitation to fund a technical support contract for up to $5,600,000 in Electric Program Investment Charge funds and up to $400,000 in Gas Research and Development Program funds.

The CEC received one proposal by the due date, February 14, 2023. The proposal was screened, reviewed, evaluated, and scored using the solicitation criteria. The one proposal passed the stage one administrative screening.

The attached NOPA identifies the bidder selected and recommended for funding by CEC staff and includes the recommended funding amount and score. The total amount recommended is up to $6,000,000.

Funding of the proposed contract from this solicitation is contingent upon the approval of the agreement at a publicly noticed CEC business meeting and execution of a contract 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 and awardees for RFP-22-301 are posted on the CEC’s website at <https://www.energy.ca.gov/funding-opportunities/awards>.

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