JPL Mentor-Protégé Program

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Interested participants must be one of the following business entities:

- Small
- Small Disadvantaged (SDB)
- Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB)
- Historically Black College or University (HBCU)
- Minority Institution (MI)
- Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB)
- Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB)
- Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HUBZone) Concern
- Small business with an active NASA Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)/Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Phase II Contract

*Must be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM)*May not be a Foreign Entity*May not be Debarred
SELECTION CRITERIA

- Value of the proposed developmental assistance to the Protégé. This will help to define the technical and business development milestones for the agreement
- Identification of a counterpart organization at JPL to sponsor the agreement
- Approval obtained from JPL Contract Management Section
- Perceived benefit and/or value of the agreement to JPL
- Availability of funds.
AGREEMENT ELEMENTS

• Needs Assessment: A description of the type of technical and business development assistance that the small business would like to receive from JPL. Examples include:

  – Technical Development:
    • Procurement Quality Assurance Audit
    • Increase in CMMI Level
  – Business Development:
    • Terms and Conditions Tutorial
    • Review of JPL’s Proposal Process
    • On-Lab Marketing Support
    • Cost Audit
AGREEMENT ELEMENTS – Cont’d

• History of Subcontract Performance at JPL

• Metrics: Defined quantitative measures for success which will indicate the extent to which the development tasks and milestones have been met. Examples include:
  – Increase in number of employees
  – Increase in annual revenue
  – Increase in the number of solicitations and awards
  – Quality of performance on subcontract tasks
  – Technical skills enhancement

• Semi-Annual Reports: The Mentor and Protégé must submit two semiannual reports to ensure that all milestones are being met.
MOU AGREEMENT PROCESS

• The Protégé small business must submit a “Needs Assessment” to the JPL Small Business Programs Office (SBPO). The assessment should demonstrate both business and technical development needs.

• Upon review and approval of the Protégé’s “Needs Assessment”, the SBPO will work with the Contract Technical Manager (a representative of the sponsoring JPL organization) and the small business to establish both the business and technical development tasks of the agreement.

• Develop a schedule of performance for the development tasks and indicate which JPL personnel or organization will facilitate the training.

• The small business must provide its history, description of capabilities, listing of executive management, revenue, and number of employees.
PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

• The standard period of performance is two years.

• The agreement may be extended for one additional period for a maximum period of performance of three years.
CURRENT ACTIVE AGREEMENTS

- FKI Space Structures
  - February 2014- December 2017 – Ceiling $2.975M
- Anre Technologies
  - January 2016-December 2018 – Current Ceiling - $80K
- Moore Boeck
  - March 2016 – February 2021 – Current Ceiling $4.5M
- Beacon Gov
  - December 2016 – September 2019 – Current Ceiling - $575K
- Transpacific Technologies
  - March 2017-February 2021 – Current Ceiling - $4M
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