



First Research Proposal Call Texas A&M Energy Institute

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Description: The Texas A&M Energy Institute launches the first annual call for research proposals. This is an internal competitive proposal call and its primary objectives are (a) to encourage innovative interdisciplinary energy research collaborations and (b) to support groups of researchers working on important energy related topics. The awarded funds through this proposal call are to be used for the preparation of competitive group proposals to be submitted to government agencies within 6-12 months of the award. The group proposals should be submitted through the Texas A&M Energy Institute and if funded by the government agencies, matching funds will be provided by the Texas A&M Energy Institute.

Eligibility: All faculty members/researchers who are Affiliated Faculty Experts with the Texas A&M Energy Institute may serve as PIs or Co-PIs and are eligible for proposal submission and funding.

Funding and Requirements: Proposals should be submitted by groups of faculty members (each group should have at least two faculty members). Collaborations with industry, other agencies, and/or other universities that enhance the quality of the proposals are allowed. A group proposal should have a single PI and the rest of faculty members should be co-PIs. The funding level for each selected proposal will not exceed \$50K. The level of matching funds will be decided later on.

Structure of Proposal Preparation: Each proposal should have: (i) Project Summary; (ii) Project Description; (iii) References; (iv) Budget and its Justification; and (v) Biographical Sketches of the PI and Co-PIs in a 2-page NSF format. Items (i), (ii), and (iii) should not exceed 4 pages (11pt or higher). The proposal should also outline in a separate section the steps for the preparation of the group proposal to be submitted to government agencies, identify the potential government agencies for submission, and the anticipated time of submission.

Review Process: The submitted proposals will be reviewed by the Steering Committee of the Texas A&M Energy Institute, as well as by an ad-hoc panel of reviewers. The selected reviewers will not have any proposal under submission.

Selection Criteria: Proposals will be assessed based on the following criteria: (a) innovative and transformative potential of proposed research work in energy; (b) quality of interdisciplinary research group; (c) potential for developing a successful proposal for government funding; and (d) potential for securing external government funding.

Submission of Proposals:

Proposals should be submitted electronically (single pdf file) to:

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Important Dates:

Deadline of Proposal Submissions: 5:00pm, Tuesday, March 31, 2015

Award Notification: May 15, 2015

Start of Projects: June 15, 2015

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