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Dear Mr. Loines:

SUBJECT: PROPOSED SOLICITATION DE-RP02-04CH11231 FOR THE
MANAGEMENT AND OPERATING CONTRACTOR FOR THE ERNEST
ORLANDO LAWRENCE BERKELEY NATIONAL LABORATORY (LBNL)

Reference: Letter from Milton Johnson, Head of Contracting Activity (HCA), Office of
Science to Ms. Pamela G. Coleman, Procurement Center Representative, dated June 24,
2004

This letter will confirm recent discussions between you and John Alleva of my staff and provide additional information related to my referenced letter to Ms. Coleman. As stated in my previous letter, we have identified three areas for direct federal contracts with small businesses - independent audit services, infrastructure computer supplies and equipment, and copier services. These supplies and services are currently provided by small businesses under subcontracts and will, once awarded as direct Federal contracts, be considered as government furnished supplies and services to the LBNL prime contractor. The timing for the award of these new contracts in calendar year 2005 coincides with the expiration date of the existing small business subcontracts.

The planned request for proposals will require a minimum goal of 50% of the subcontracting dollars to be awarded to small businesses. Please recognize that until the solicitation is issued, this goal is not public information. Additionally, as you requested, we will provide information on the selected contractor's accomplishments in meeting its small business goals to the local Procurement Center Representative in California.

Sincerely,


Milton Johnson
Head of Contracting Activity
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