



## DE-FOA-0002388 – ECOSynBio SBIR/STTR

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### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

PLEASE REFER TO THE GENERAL FAQs SECTION OF ARPA-E'S WEBSITE ([HTTP://ARPA-E.ENERGY.GOV/?Q=FAQ/GENERAL-QUESTIONS](http://arpa-e.energy.gov/?q=faq/general-questions)) FOR ANSWERS TO MANY GENERAL QUESTIONS ABOUT ARPA-E AND ARPA-E'S FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS. ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS SPECIFIC TO THIS FOA ONLY ARE INCLUDED BELOW. PLEASE REVIEW ALL EXISTING GENERAL FAQs AND FOA-SPECIFIC QUESTIONS BEFORE SUBMITTING NEW QUESTIONS TO ARPA-E.

#### I. Concept Paper Phase Questions:

**Q1. We'd like to determine whether our technology for converting biogas to methanol using clean electricity is responsive to this funding opportunity. ...**

**ANSWER:** ARPA-E will not pre-assess an applicant's proposal or teaming arrangement. Prospective applicants must review the technical requirements of the FOA and independently determine whether their proposed concept warrants a submission.

**Q2. ... In past ARPA-E projects, [omitted] has proposed as a team member/subrecipient through the F[ield] W[ork] P[roposal] process but was later told the award would be issued directly to the prime sponsor/small business, and that [omitted] would then need to submit a Strategic Partnership Projects project proposal for re-approval by DOE. Does this depend on the specific solicitation? That is, will the FWP process or SPP process be the correct proposal submission avenue for this solicitation?**

**ANSWER:** This information will be provided by FOA amendment in December 2020.

**Q3. ... Our technology involves using a combination of both [description omitted]. Is a technology in this vein a suitable submission for this category?**

**ANSWER:** Refer to ECOSynBio SBIR/STTR FAQ 1 above.