ADDENDUM TO THE LOUISIANA NASA EPSCoR FY17 REQUEST FOR PRE-PROPOSALS (RFP)

The Louisiana NASA EPSCoR management team has been informed that NASA EPSCoR HQ plans to modify their existing solicitation schedule for the 3-year Research CAN. Instead of offering annual competitions, NASA EPSCoR will likely move to a two-year solicitation schedule beginning with the solicitation expected to be released in 2016. Our understanding is that each jurisdiction will be allowed to submit **two** proposals to this upcoming cycle and both proposals will be considered for funding in FY17 & FY18. Winners for FY17 & FY18 will be announced simultaneously. Thus, there will not be another NASA EPSCoR CAN solicitation again until December 2018/January 2019. This change has not been formally announced by NASA, but we anticipate its enactment to be likely enough that we are offering a short extension for the NOI submission deadline. If you were considering holding off until next year, we recommend you put a proposal together this year or understand you'll be waiting two years before you can compete again.

The deadline for submission of Notices of Intent (NOI) to the Louisiana EPSCoR FY17 Request for Preproposals has been changed to 4:30 p.m. central on Thursday, November 10, 2016. All other dates and deadlines contained in the RFP remain as previously published. The affected sections of the RFP are cited below, with the revised deadline in red.

TIMETABLE:

Notice of Intent (required): Thursday, November 10, 2016, 4:30 CST Last day for Q&A about this solicitation: Wednesday, November 9, 2016

Pre-proposals due Friday, December 2, 2016

Anticipated Notification of Selection(s): December 2016 / January 2017

I.E. ASSESSMENT OF PRE-PROPOSALS AND PREPARATION OF FULL PROPOSALS

All NASA-EPSCOR pre-proposals will be reviewed by a panel of experts from outside Louisiana.

All proposing Pls are required to submit names and full contact info for 3 potential,
qualified, out of state reviewers along with submission of their NOIs on November 10th.

You are responsible for selecting individuals with both the expertise and the availability
necessary to serve on the panel. The Pls of the pre-proposals selected for development into full
proposals will be notified in December 2016/January 2017 and will be provided feedback from
the panel. After this date, the Pls of successful pre-proposals are expected to work closely with
the NASA EPSCOR Project Directors and Manager (T. Gregory Guzik/ John P. Wefel, LSU
Department of Physics and Astronomy, LaSPACE/EPSCOR Manager, Colleen H. Fava) and
BOR staff to prepare the proposals for submission to NASA. Full proposals (with budgets
approved by the Pl's office of sponsored programs) will be due at the BOR on a date to be
determined based on the due date for proposal submission to NASA (a minimum of 5 business
days prior to the NASA due date).

I.F. TIMETABLE (DATES MAY CHANGE, SUBJECT TO REQUIREMENTS OF FY2016 CAN)
November 10, 2016 Notice of Intent/3 proposed reviewers due at BOR
November 9, 2016 Last day to submit questions about this solicitation
December 2, 2016 Pre-proposals due
Dec 2016/Jan 2017 Notice of Selection

II. PRE-PROPOSAL SUBMISSION AND FORMAT REQUIREMENTS II.A. NOTICE OF INTENT (Required)

Before a pre-proposal will be accepted, a notice of intent (NOI) in portable document format (pdf) must be submitted by the PI no later than the close of business (4:30 p.m.) on **Thursday, November 10, 2016**.