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FROM: Associate Administrator for Human Exploration and Operations

SUBJECT: Synergy-Achieving Consolidated Operations and Maintenance (SACOM)
Procurement Sensitivity of Request for Proposal (RFP), NNS14478585R

The Synergy-Achieving Consolidated Operations and Maintenance (SACOM) RFP will be posted this afternoon. Due to the procurement sensitivity associated with the evaluation process and potential contract award, effective immediately, all NASA personnel shall cease communication and dialogue with industry regarding the SACOM acquisition. The formal "blackout period" of exchanges and communication with industry will remain in effect until all proposals have been received and evaluated, the contract awarded, and the SACOM Source Evaluation Board has been released from its responsibilities.

Please take the time to read through the enclosed memo and if you feel that it should be distributed to others within your organization, do not hesitate to pass it along to any civil servant who may be approached by industry requesting information related to this highly sensitive procurement. If you have any questions, please contact the Contracting Officer, Marvin L. Horne at 228-688-3528, or via e-mail to marvin.l.horne@nasa.gov.

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William H. Gerstenmaier

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TO: All SSC/MAF/MSFC NASA Employees
FROM: Marvin L. Horne, Contracting Officer
SUBJECT: Blackout Notice for NNS14478585R Synergy-Achieving Consolidated Operations & Maintenance (SACOM) contract at Stennis Space Center (SSC) and Michoud Assembly Facility (MAF)

A Request For Proposal (RFP NNS14478585R) has been released to industry for subject contract. Issuance of the RFP opens the formal competition for this procurement and you should all be aware of the highly competitive environment that exists. Accordingly, effective immediately, all communication with industry concerning the SACOM RFP NNS14478585R shall be concluded. The "blackout" period for communication with industry will continue until all proposals have been received and evaluated, the contract awarded, and the Source Evaluation Board released from its responsibilities.

I am the designated formal point of contact for this RFP. All oral or written requests for information concerning the subject procurement shall be directed to me to ensure there is one formal point of contact for all prospective SACOM Offerors.

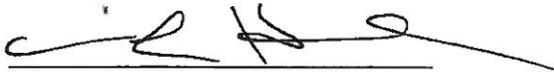
Each employee should be aware of his or her obligation to rigidly adhere to the standards of conduct prescribed by statutes, regulations, and previous policy announcements. The Standards of Ethical Conduct of Employees of the Executive Branch set forth the basic required standards of conduct and references several applicable statutes. All NASA employees should become familiar with the contents of this handbook if they have not yet done so; those who have not recently studied it should do so to assure themselves that they are fully cognizant of its contents and requirements. NASA employees are reminded that a violation of applicable criminal statutes regarding protection of sensitive procurement information can lead to criminal, civil and administrative penalties, including imprisonment, fines, and adverse personnel action.

Those NASA employees having responsibilities for administering existing contracts with firms expected to compete for the SACOM procurement, or who are responsible for participating in other procurement actions in which these firms may also be participating,

are to continue with the performance of their duties. However, such employees should be constantly mindful of the required standards of conduct, outlined above and in applicable law and regulation, and fully aware at all times of the sensitive nature of their contact with these firms.

Under no circumstances is any information or speculation relative to the SACOM procurement to be discussed with industry personnel.

If you have any questions concerning this announcement, please contact me at (228) 688-3528.

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Marvin L. Horne
Contracting Officer