

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION (NASA)
AMES RESEARCH CENTER (ARC)
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) – NNA15ZPX001L
PATHFINDER TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATOR (PTD)

Q1. Was this project once named Propulsion Pathfinder?

A1. Yes. Given the potential for payloads other than propulsion systems, the project was renamed.

Q2. Why release an RFI?

A2. A NASA goal is to spur growth in the commercial space sector. If a commercial solutions exist that meet stated requirements and are achievable at a fair and reasonable price/cost then NASA would like to assess those options.

Q3. Would you be available for a short conference call to discuss any new developments with PPF and shed some light on this latest RFI?

A3. “Non-Proprietary” inquiries will be captured in this document and shared with all interested parties. The announcement states that “Following this initial feedback, as part of its market research, NASA may conduct one-on-one meetings with potential offerors. These meetings will allow for exchange of information and will provide an opportunity for potential offerors to provide feedback on the Government’s preliminary requirements and acquisition approach.” For proprietary inquiries/proprietary information included in questions, NASA may consider one on one dialogue but solely for the purpose of discussing that question.

Q4. Is there an incumbent contractor associated with this work? If so, are you able to provide the name of the contractor and the contract #? Or, is this considered a brand new requirement?

A4. There is no incumbent. If a solicitation is issued, it would be considered a new requirement.