

Office of the President

TO MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL LABORATORY SUBCOMMITTEE:

DISCUSSION ITEM

For Meeting of March 14, 2018

UPDATE ON THE NATIONAL LABORATORIES

The item will provide an update on the three UC-affiliated National Laboratories: Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL), Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL), and Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL).

LANL Contract Competition

The current management and operating (M&O) contract for LANL expires on September 30, 2018. The National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) issued the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the follow-on contract on October 25, 2017. A proposal on behalf the University's team was timely submitted by the December 11 response deadline.

If the University team's proposal is determined to be within the competitive range and fully compliant, NNSA will provide the team with written feedback on the proposal's significant weaknesses and deficiencies. This written statement will be followed by orals. The amended RFP modified the orals process to include in the discussions not only the proposed Key Personnel team but also representatives from the bid team members. The "Questions and Answers" document that accompanied the amended RFP stated that NNSA anticipates holding orals during March 2018. After orals, the RFP will be amended again to provide instructions for a final proposal revision.

As of March 1, the University's team had not received the written feedback from NNSA nor any updates regarding the schedule for orals.

It is still anticipated that the four-month transition period will start on June 1, 2018 to facilitate an October 1, 2018 start date of the follow-on LANL M&O contract. Accordingly, it remains the expectation that contract award would be announced in April or May of 2018.

Governor Brown's Visit to LLNL

On February 7, 2018, Governor Brown visited LLNL. The visit was hosted by LLNL Director William Goldstein and was the latest in a series of recent national security-focused briefings requested by the Governor. The half-day agenda involved discussions on cyber operations, cybersecurity considerations for State infrastructure, and national cyber strategy and deterrence.

LBNL's New Deputy Director for Operations and Chief Operating Officer

Michael Brandt has been appointed by President Napolitano as Berkeley Lab's new Deputy Director for Operations and Chief Operating Officer, with an anticipated start date of March 5. He replaces Glenn Kubiak, who had served LBNL since July 2012 and retired on February 16. Prior to coming to LBNL, Mr. Brandt served as the Associate Director of Environment, Safety, and Health (ESH) at LANL, where he led an organization of 750 employees with an operating budget of more than \$150 million, and was responsible for Lab-wide ESH activities for the roughly 11,000 employees operating on the 40-square-mile site.

Key to Acronyms

DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
ESH	Environment, Safety, and Health
LANL	Los Alamos National Laboratory
LBNL	Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
LLNL	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
M&O	Management and Operating
NNSA	National Nuclear Security Administration
RFP	Request for Proposal