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Reviewers,

We have arrived at the final action point for the Funding Opportunity Announcement's Merit Review Committee. We are seeking your concurrence with the final (post-Oral Presentations) scores and ranking of the applications to be forwarded as "Recommended for Selection."

The reviewer panel assigned to each application that was recommended for further review had the opportunity to re-comment and re-score their assigned applications after the Oral Presentation. Keep in mind these applications were the same ones recommended by your Topic Area panel after the Merit Review Committee meeting to go on for further review. Some scores are higher than they were after the Merit Review Committee meeting in Denver, some lower, and some did not change. At this point, there will only be a re-ranking of the applications that were recommended, the applications on the list will not change. You may also remember that the technical merit is only part of the selection process, other items, such as technical diversity and geographic diversity will also weigh into the decision making.

Attached is an Excel file with the updated (post-Oral Presentations) worksheet for each application and a single summary sheet showing the pre-Oral and post-Oral scores. If the application review panel changed or deleted a comment after having listened to the oral presentation, it has been highlighted in yellow. A short justification was written by the panel for your information and consideration and is included along with the comment and noted by the "\*\*\*\*." A short justification for the final score is listed under the "General Comments" section at the top of the spreadsheet.

After reviewing the scores and ranking, please reply to this email simply stating either "I concur" or "I do not concur". If you do not concur, please identify which specific application you have an issue with and why. If the entire merit review committee replies that they are comfortable with the scores, that will constitute consensus.

We are asking for your reply no later than close of business on Tuesday, October 20th. To stay on schedule, we will assume you have concurred if we do not hear from you by then.

Thank you again for your cooperation and attention to this task.

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