

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for FOA0001482

- 1. Q: Should or could I include ACME scientists as unfunded collaborators or obtain support letters from them?**

A: No, do not include ACME scientists as collaborators or obtain letters of support from them. We would not like this to be a factor in the review process.

- 2. Q: If my project is selected will I have access to the ACME model?**

A: Yes, following development of a collaboration agreement with ACME, you will have access to the code, any needed model output and project collaboration tools

- 3. Q: Should I talk to ACME scientists as I am writing the proposal?**

A: You may, and a starting point is to contact the ACME Group leads, who are listed in the “v2” document under the “information for collaborators”. But please consider the large number (over 50) of “encouraged” pre-applications and time the interactions accordingly.

- 4. Q: If ACME scientists are not supported by this program but their time will be needed to complete the proposed work, how will this be covered?**

A: Substantial support is already going to the ACME project researchers and some flexibility is possible within that project to accommodate the new University projects; if your effort requires a large amount of input from the ACME scientists, please note that in the application so that ACME and DOE can plan accordingly.

- 5. Q: Will computer time be provided by DOE for my project?**

A: BER controls some allocation time at the DOE NERSC facility and we are therefore generally able to provide needed computer time to funded projects. It may also be possible to conduct your simulations as part of the existing ACME simulation plan. It would be prudent to address the expected computational requirements in your application.

- 6. Q: How much deviation from the pre-application (budget, co-investigators, topic) is permitted?**

A: The budget may shift somewhat, as long as it remains within the bounds given by the FOA. The general scope of the project should be retained, but detailed plans may shift. Changes in personnel are also possible but should be avoided.

- 7. Q: My proposed project is mainly focused on analysis of ACME rather than development of the ACME system, is that OK?**

A: This FOA is meant primarily to integrate University model developers into the ACME project and team; a project focused on analysis would need to make a compelling case for

providing exceptional insight into ACME development in a way that is currently lacking in the ACME project.