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Addendum 4 to NOFA #006
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Background:

The Office has determined that the scoring methodology set forth in NOFA #006 section 3.1.6.4 “SubCategory 4 - Hop Count” could be confusing, thereby resulting in irregularities in scoring. To avoid any potential applicant confusion and possible scoring irregularities, the Office is amending NOFA #006 to remove the scoring component of the Hop Count metric included in the scoring of Section 3.1.6, Prospective Product Attributes.

This amendment to NOFA #006 does not require any modification to existing or in-process applications. Regardless of the Hop Count selected on Exhibit B of the Core Application, there will be no impact on the scoring of the application. Section 3.1.6 has been assigned a maximum point value of 2.78 out of 100 points. This remains true notwithstanding the removal of the Hop Count subcategory as a scoring factor. The share of the points that were to be assigned to Hop Count will now be redistributed to the other subsections of 3.1.6.

Amendment #2:

Sections 3.1.6.4.1 through 3.1.6.4.3 are deleted in its entirety including the header “Formula,” and replaced with the following as part of 3.1.6.4:

This section will not be scored as a component of the NOFA #006 Application.