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**LITHIUM-ION BATTERY RECYCLING PRIZE**



Phase II Informational Webinar: Partnering  
**Lithium-Ion Battery Recycling Prize**

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# Agenda

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- **Benefits of Partnering in Phase II**
- **Partnering Guidelines**
- **Eligible Partners**
- **Voucher Introduction**
- **Questions**

# Benefits of Partnering in Phase II

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- Partnering in Phase II is a way to strengthen the submission for Phase II by providing a more comprehensive solution
- Partnering is not a requirement, however, it is encouraged due to the disparate skillsets needed to address the battery logistics issue.

# Partnerships Guidelines

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- Each team can only lead one submission
  - Team members can participate in multiple submissions.
- Each Phase II winning submission will receive one check to distribute among partners accordingly
- **The Prize Administrator will not be involved in inter-partnership disputes.**

# Eligible Partners

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- **Winning teams**
  - Find the complete list of winners at [batteryrecyclingprize.org/partners](https://batteryrecyclingprize.org/partners)
- **Nonwinning teams from Phase I**
  - The cover page, submission slide, short description, and video for all Phase I submissions can be found at [herox.com/BatteryRecyclingPrize/entries](https://herox.com/BatteryRecyclingPrize/entries)
- **Academic Institutions**
- **External Organizations**
- **American-Made Network Connectors**

# Questions

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- If two winning teams from Phase I partner, will they submit their proposal jointly or separately?
  - Answer: Each winning team can each lead one submission to Phase II, but you can partner with other teams on additional submissions.
  - Teams cannot submit identical submissions.

# Questions

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- **What is the incentive to partner in Phase II?**
  - Answer: Partnering is a way to strengthen your submission for Phase II and provide a more comprehensive solution to the battery logistics issue.
  - Partnering is not a requirement, as stated in the rules. However, partnering is encouraged due to the disparate skillsets needed to address this issue.

# Questions

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- **Can we partner with teams that were not winners of Phase I?**
  - Answer: Yes. Groups that did not win in Phase I can partner with winning teams to submit a concept for Phase II. In order to be eligible for Phase II, a submission must be led by a Phase I winning team.
  - Each Phase I winning team can only lead one Phase II submission.



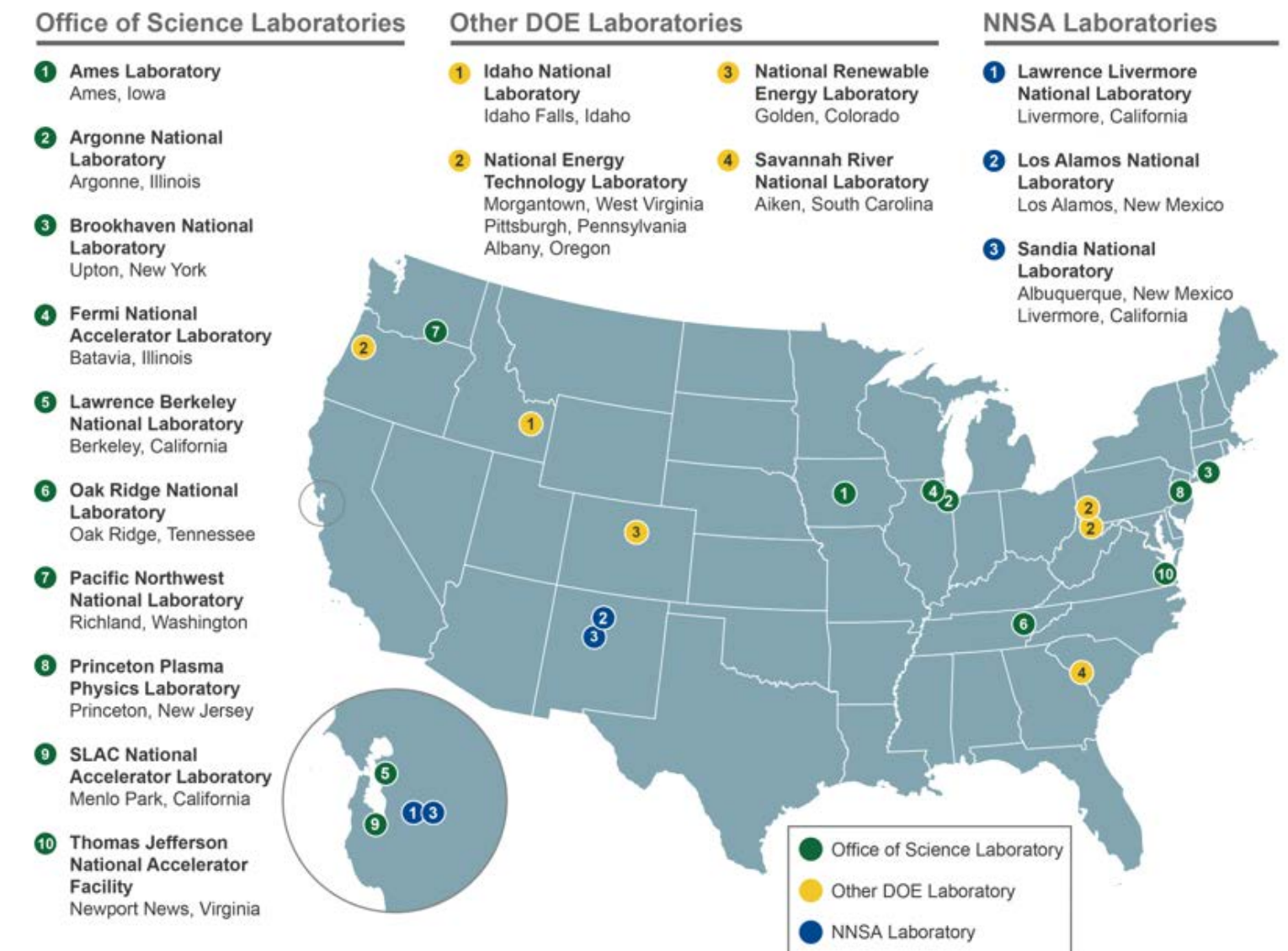
# Questions

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- **Are we required to have a business/profit sharing arrangement with partners?**
  - Answer: It is up to your team to determine the agreement between your partnerships.
  - Each Phase II winning submission will receive one check to distribute among partners accordingly.
  - The Prize Administrator will not be involved in inter-partnership disputes.

# Voucher Introduction

- **Winners of Phase II will receive \$100,000 in non-cash vouchers for use in Phase III**
- Vouchers will apply only to the American-Made Network of Voucher Service Providers (VSPs)
- These VSPs are approved organizations and facilities (such as national laboratories) who can provide services in exchange for voucher funds
- Details about vouchers can be found at [herox.com/BatteryRecyclingPrize/resource/399](https://herox.com/BatteryRecyclingPrize/resource/399) and will be outlined a later webinar.



Map of the 17 DOE National Laboratories



# Questions?

**Email: BatteryRecyclingPrize@nrel.gov**

- All Q&As related to this prize FOA, including those asked during this presentation, will be posted on HeroX at <https://www.herox.com/BatteryRecyclingPrize/faq>
- The Prize Administrator will attempt to respond to questions within 3 business days, unless a similar Q&A is already posted on the website
- Email us with any problems logging on to HeroX or uploading and submitting application documents.

