In mid-March, 2013, the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E) intends to issue a new Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) on Bio-Conversion of Methane-to-Liquids. The objective of the FOA will be to identify transformational concepts for cost-effective, one-step conversion of methane to liquid transportation fuels with low CapEx and flexible deployment to access remote, flared, or pipeline gas.

ARPA-E strongly encourages outstanding scientists and engineers from different organizations, scientific disciplines, and technology sectors to form new project teams. Interdisciplinary and cross-sectored collaboration spanning organizational boundaries enables and accelerates the achievement of scientific and technological outcomes that were previously viewed as extremely difficult, if not impossible.

ARPA-E is issuing this Announcement to facilitate the formation of new project teams. Specifically, ARPA-E intends to publish a list of potential teaming partners for the Bio-Conversion of Methane-to-Liquids FOA on ARPA-E eXCHANGE (http://arpa-e-foa.energy.gov), ARPA-E’s online application portal, in mid-March, 2013.

Any organization that would like to be included in this list should complete all required fields in the following link: https://arpa-e-foa.energy.gov/Applicantprofile.aspx. Required information includes: Organization Name, Contact Name, Contact Address, Contact Email, Contact Phone, Organization Type, Focus Area, and Brief Description of Capabilities. ARPA-E is particularly interested in receiving responses from organizations with expertise in the following Focus Areas: efficient methane activation to a biological intermediate, biological carbon-carbon bond formation and fuel synthesis, and biological process (bio-process) engineering and intensification.

By submitting a response to this Announcement, you consent to the publication of the above-referenced information. The Federal Government will not pay for the provision of any information, nor will it compensate any respondents for the development of such information. Responses submitted to other email addresses or by other means will not be reviewed or considered.

By enabling and publishing the Bio-Conversion of Methane-to-Liquids Teaming List, ARPA-E is not endorsing or otherwise evaluating the qualifications of the entities that are self-identifying themselves for placement on this Teaming List.
This Announcement does not constitute a FOA. No FOA exists at this time. Applicants must refer to the final FOA issued in mid-March, 2013 for instructions on submitting an application and for the terms and conditions of funding. ARPA-E will not review or consider noncompliant and/or nonresponsive applications.