Clarifications to the *Guidebook for Proposers Responding to a NASA Research Announcement* (Edition: January 2006)

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The following clarifications are applicable to all program elements in the Research Opportunities in Space and Earth Sciences (ROSES) – 2006 NASA Research Announcement.

**Section 2.3.1(a) – Proposal Checklist:** The “Co-I and/or Collaborator commitments” is redundant with the “Statements of Commitment” (see Section 2.3.10 of the *Guidebook for Proposers* and the clarification below). The “Summary of Personnel and Work Efforts” should be included within the Budget Justification (see Section 2.3.4 and the clarification below).

**Section 2.3.2 – Electronic Proposal Forms:** The proposal summary (or abstract) that is required should be concise and should not exceed 300 words in length. NSPIRES will not accept more than 300 words for the proposal summary. Grants.gov does not impose a limit on the length of the proposal summary; however, the proposal summary will be truncated at 300 words when the proposal is transmitted from Grants.gov to NASA.

**Section 2.3.4 – Summary of Personnel and Work Efforts:** This required table should be included in the budget justification. It should not be included as a separate section of the proposal.

**Section 2.3.7 – Facilities and Equipment:** This section should describe any existing facilities and equipment that are required for the proposed investigation. Facilities and equipment that will be purchased may be described either in this section or in the budget justification. Proposals submitted via Grants.gov should include a single Facilities and Equipment section; it should be uploaded to the Grants.gov application as the “Facilities and Other Resources” document; no “Equipment” document should be uploaded to Grants.gov.

**Section 2.3.10 – Statements of Commitment and Letters of Support:** For all ROSES program elements, statements of commitment should not be acknowledged electronically through NSPIRES. All statements of commitment should be included in the proposal document that is submitted electronically to NASA.

**Section 2.3.11(a)(6) – Cost Sharing:** Cost sharing should be described in the budget justification. Cost sharing can not be shown in the standardized budget form for either NSPIRES or Grants.gov.

**Section 2.3.11(b)(ii)(a) -- Joint Proposals Involving a Mix of U.S. Government and Non-Government Organizations:** The budget for the proposal must include all funding requested from NASA for the proposed investigation, and this must be reflected in the budget totals that appear in the budget forms. The required funding for any Government
Co-I and/or facility should be entered in the “Other” line(s) on the NSPIRES or Grants.gov budget entry form in the “Other Direct Costs” section. This funding must be included in the total cost of the proposed work. No indirect burden should be applied to this amount. Details regarding the budget for the Government Co-I and/or facility must be included in the proposal’s budget details and should be listed as "Other Applicable Costs" in the required budget justification.