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RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT (MS-EM-1)

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- **Introduction**

- Joint USA/Japan environmental management collaborative research as it relates to environmental safety in association with the management of radioactive waste resulting from the decommissioning of Nuclear Power Plants (NPP).

- **Goals**

- Contribute to the acceleration of decommissioning of Fukushima Daiichi NPP.
- Contribute to the overall DOE Office of Environmental Management cleanup mission.
- Contribute to storage, treatment and disposal of fuel debris and other associated radioactive wastes.

- **Radioactive Waste Treatment and Packaging**
 - Systems Studies that contribute to the optimization of waste management/decommissioning operations and/or processes
 - Critical processes: initial characterization, decontamination technology, secondary waste treatment, final characterization, data processing, etc.
- **Rapid Analysis of Radiological Contaminants**
 - Key contaminants include: Cs-137, Sr-89, Sr-90, others
 - Contaminants in water and soil matrices
 - Easily deployable field technologies to support remedial operations
- **Risk Modeling Tools/Techniques**
 - Development or demonstration of models and techniques for assessing contaminant risk
 - Supports the development of target cleanup goals, and selection of remedial options

Collaboration Approach

- **Joint US/Japan Research**
 - US – DOE, Offices of Environmental Management (EM) & Nuclear Energy (NE)
 - Japan – Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)
- **Research conducted by US-lead universities in direct collaboration with Japanese universities/research institutions**
- **An equivalent amount of funds are anticipated to be provided by the Japanese government to the Japanese collaborators. Availability of these funds will be addressed in a solicitation sponsored by the MEXT.**

Anticipated Schedule / Budget

- **No Pre-proposals required**
- **Full Proposal Applications due – February 18, 2016**
- **Application Technical reviews – March/April**
- **Award Selection – June**
- **Anticipated Start – October 1, 2016**

- **1-2 Awards Anticipated**
- **Anticipated DOE Budget – \$400-525K**
- **First-year US Budget – \$175K**
- **Duration – 3 year max**

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