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Subject: RE: NATTS Funding 2022

Hi Louise,

We would need to receive this request before 105 grant awards are finalized, in early to mid-April. Let me know if you have any concerns with this timeline.

Thanks,
Julia

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Thank you for the follow up.

I am waiting on approval from my end to allow me to say yes. Let me check in with them to get a status update.

Do you have a deadline that I need to meet?

Best Regards,
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Hi Louise,

I wanted to follow-up on this to see if you have been able to email Angie with a request to hold back some 105 funds for the Battelle contract?

Thank you,

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Hi Louise,

We spoke with our grants folks here in R9 and Angie said that it should not be a problem to do a hold back of funds for this contract from CARB's CAA 105 grant. OAQPS said this is about $7,000 per year. To do this, you can email Angie Latigue with a request.

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

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Thank you Julia,

We will prepare for Q1.

Yes, CARB is planning on continuing with using Battelle for NATTS PT.

Thank you for exploring option for us.

Best Regards,
Louise Sorensen

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Hi Louise,

I checked in with OAQPS and they said you can continue to use the Battelle NATTS PT program for Q1, so you can go ahead and ship the canister.

Going forward they also mentioned that there may be a route to find funding for the program, if CARB plans to continue to use Battelle. We will explore options for this, potentially through a holdback of 105 grants, and will check back in with you when we have more information.

Let me know if you have any questions in the meantime.

Thanks,
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Subject: NATTS Funding 2022
Importance: High

Good Morning Julia,

I am checking to see what the funding situation looks like for CARB NLB participation in the Battelle NATTS PT program for Q1, Q2, Q3, and Q4 2022.

Per email communications below you will see that the only option for our participation is through the EPA grant route due to Battelle selling terms not being compatible with our state procurement process.

Battelle, just sent an email out for Q1, 2022 yesterday with a deadline of Canister and signup sheet to be received by March 11. That means we must ship the canister by the end of next week. Would you be able to let me know by mid-week next week, or sooner, if we can participate in the VOCs and Carbonyls/Aldehydes PT for Q1 (cost below)?

PT Sample Type	Price per Sample *	Status

VOCs	$925	Available CY2022 QTR1
Carbonyls/Aldehydes	$825	
Metals	$975	Not available CY2022 QTR1
PAHs	$825	

*These Non-NATTS prices are valid through March 31, 2022.

Best Regards,
Louise Sorensen

From: Qazzaz, Bilal <qazzaz.bilal@epa.gov>
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Subject: RE: NATTS Funding Question

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Thank you Louise.

Happy Thanksgiving to you too.

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Hey Bilal,

Thank you for finding out the details about the NATTS funding.

I will let NLB know that they can proceed with 2021 Q4.

Happy Thanksgiving.

Best Regards,
Louise Sorensen

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Hi Louise,

We met with OAQPS and yes, there is funding available for CARB's Northern Laboratory Branch to participate in Q4 NATTS PTs. There is ambiguity about how this has been funded historically, via a regional pot or in kind, but speculation is that since HQ contracts out more analyses that it needs, CARB has been able to participate as it didn't add to the cost. This service should be available through at least March 2022. OAQPS is going through a new contracting process for this service, so after that the situation may change. Please contact Julia Carlstad and cc EPA's CARB monitoring contacts (myself and Randy through April; likely back to Dena in May) moving forward.

Thank you

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Subject: RE: NATTS Funding Question

Hey Gwen,

We tried in the past to work with Battelle directly to fund these audits but their selling terms are not compatible with our State procurement process. The EPA grant route is the only option available to us.

Best Regards,
Louise Sorensen

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Hi Louise,

OAQPS is once again asking if CARB could pay Battelle for this service directly. Is that possible? If not, could you let us know what the barriers are? Is it covering the cost, or is it setting up a contract mechanism?

Thanks,
Gwen

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Subject: RE: NATTS Funding Question

Hey Dena,

Thank you for the update.

Best Regards,
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Hello! Just checking in that we haven't forgotten about this and are awaiting a response from HQ by next week (some people are out of the office until then). It sounds like they haven't announced schedules for Q4 PTs yet and they need to confirm funding availability.

Will keep you posted as soon as we hear back!

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Hey Dena,

Just checking in to see how I go about knowing if there is funding for the quarter 4 for the NLB to participate in the NATTS.

And also, who would I ask this question come January for yr 2022?

Best Regards,
Louise Sorensen

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