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Sandia Supplier:

Sandia National Laboratories has been advised by colleagues from other Department of Energy National Laboratories of fraudulent attempts by scam artists to procure goods from legitimate, existing laboratory suppliers utilizing tactics such as "Laboratory credit" to procure "limited" amounts of equipment for shipment to warehouses around the country. These warehouses turn out to be private residences and crates of products delivered to these addresses are being sent overseas by freight forwarders for further re-sale. These unscrupulous individuals claim "Laboratory policy" requires such equipment to be checked at these warehouses prior to delivery to the Laboratory and the stated need for these goods is due to a rush to meet Laboratory objectives. These scam artists are utilizing email addresses that are very similar to legitimate Laboratory addresses, utilize realistic looking letterheads and Purchase Orders with real Laboratory logos and, in some cases, claim to be a high level official within the Laboratory.

Please be advised that Sandia National Laboratories will never:

- Request to procure goods or services based on Laboratory credit;
- Utilize the names of high level Laboratory officials to "legitimize" a procurement;
- Waiver from internal requirements to utilize North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes on every procurement;
- Fail to provide a telephone number and email address of a Sandia Contracting Representative in the procurement process; and,
- Require immediate delivery of goods on a "rush" basis.

If you have any questions or feel your company has been contacted to supply Sandia National Laboratories in this or in other questionable manners, please contact Sandia's Business Point of Contact at 1.800.765.1678 or via email at supplier@sandia.gov. Thank you for partnering with Sandia to address this issue of mutual concern.

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