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Good Afternoon,

The Office of the Vice President for Research is requesting e-mails of interest for the NSF, "Mid-Scale Innovations Program in Astronomical Sciences (MSIP) " funding opportunity. As per the program solicitation, a single organization may submit a maximum of three preliminary proposals as the lead institution. Full proposals are to be submitted only when invited by NSF, and no more than two invitations will be issued to a single organization. There is no limit to participation as a partner institution.

See the following link for further details: <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2015/nsf15580/nsf15580.htm>

If you are interested in submitting a preliminary proposal please send a statement of interest with a brief abstract (maximum 1 page pdf) via e-mail to limited@unm.edu by **noon, Monday, July 13, 2015**. Based on the e-mail responses received, the Limited Competition Management Team may announce a call for preproposals. Please distribute this notice to departments and individuals whom you believe would be interested.

A *required* preliminary proposal to the agency is due on September 16, 2015. The deadline for invited full proposals to the agency is February 22, 2016.