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Dr. Kondo Gnanvo Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility Project: eRD108

Dear Kondo,

We are writing to you in response to your proposal for EIC Project Detector R&D on cylindrical and planar MPGDs, submitted by you on July 8, 2023, applying for FY24 funding.

We reviewed the situation and your proposal carefully and in accordance with the project's priorities, planning status, and the overall funding situation for project R&D, \$35,000 are awarded to eRD108 for FY24. The funding is dedicated to efforts on cylindrical MMG at Saclay, France. Following the meetings we had with you recently, the remaining efforts discussed in your proposal did not require further R&D and we will start the engineering and design phase.

The project R&D funding will be transmitted via R&D subcontracts with JLab. We ask you kindly to get in touch with Sherry Thomas, sthomas@jlab.org, and provide the necessary information for the FY24 contract.

We will contact you frequently to learn about the status of your R&D. Note also that is mandatory to participate in the Detector Advisory Committee (DAC) R&D review meetings.

With best regards,

Thomas Ullrich and Rolf Ent

CC: Elke Aschenauer