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## **Inquiry Regarding Eligibility for Funding Opportunities**

23-ERDD-01 Retrofitting with Innovative Building Envelope Solutions Concept  
Dear Sir/Madam,

We are proud to collaborate with the engineering school of California University of Irvine on a groundbreaking project aimed at developing vacuum-insulated panels suitable for use in windows and envelope walls. These panels boast thermal isolation capabilities comparable to that of thermos bottles, ensuring sustained heat retention for extended periods, making them ideal for various applications.

As we explore funding opportunities to further advance our innovative technology, we have encountered certain eligibility criteria for two specific groups:

Group 1: Value Proposition Improvement - Residential Envelope Technology Retrofit Opportunity for Opaque Envelopes (VPI-RETRO- Opaque Envelopes)

Our company, based in Valencia city, CA 91454, does not meet the requirement stipulating projects must be located in disadvantaged or low-income communities and/or involve community-based organization (CBO) participation. Hence, we are unable to apply under this category.

Group 3: Value Proposition Improvement - Residential Envelope Technology Retrofit Opportunity for with Multiple Measures (VPI-RETRO- MM)

Similar to the previous group, the eligibility requirement mandates projects to be situated in disadvantaged or low-income communities and/or involve CBO participation. As our company's location does not align with these criteria, we find ourselves ineligible for this category as well.

Furthermore, applicants in this group are required to have received prior DOE funding for similar envelope-type projects, which our new technology has not yet obtained. Consequently, we are unable to apply under Group 3.

Given the aforementioned restrictions, we are keen to explore any potential avenues through which we might still qualify for funding under Groups 1 or 3, should there be any exceptions or alternative criteria available.

We eagerly await your guidance on how best to proceed and remain committed to advancing our technology for the benefit of communities and industries alike.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,  
Nathan Han