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Dear Ms. Hart:

SUBJECT: APPROVAL FOR ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY TO RESPOND

TO: **DOE SC**  
FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT: **DE-FOA-0002421**  
CFDA NUMBER: **81.049**  
TITLED: **Early Career Research Program**  
DIVISION TRACKING NUMBER: 35251.1

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Should you have any questions concerning this authorization please contact me at (630) 252-2193 or [jacquelyn.brockер@science.doe.gov](mailto:jacquelyn.brockер@science.doe.gov).

Sincerely,

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