



**POLICY FLASH 2011-34**

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**TO:** Procurement Directors

**FROM:** Director, Policy Division  
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**SUBJECT:** Extension of Other Transaction Authority to enter into Technology Investment Agreements (TIAs)

**SUMMARY:** Section 3118 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) of 2011, Public Law 111-383, enacted January 7, 2011, has extended, through September 30, 2015, the “Other Transaction Authority” provision of the Act, which will allow the Department of Energy (DOE) to continue to use other types of agreements, other than grants or contracts, to carry out certain research projects.

Although DOE’s use of “Other Transaction Authority” have been limited, the Department has used TIAs for contracting with entities that do not typically do business with the government.

Further information on TIAs can be found at 10 CFR 603 and in Financial Assistance Letter (FAL) 2006-03. Additionally, a chapter covering the use of TIAs will be added to the financial assistance guide.

This Flash will be available online at the following website:  
[http://www.management.energy.gov/policy\\_guidance/policy\\_flashes.htm](http://www.management.energy.gov/policy_guidance/policy_flashes.htm).

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