SEARCH PROCESS FOR LAWRENCE LIVERMORE DIRECTOR, LLNS PRESIDENT GETS UNDER WAY

LIVERMORE, Calif. – The search process for the 12th director of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) and president of Lawrence Livermore National Security, LLC (LLNS), is under way, Norman Pattiz, chairman of the LLNS Board of Governors and member of the University of California Board of Regents, announced today.

LLNS manages the Laboratory for the U.S. Department of Energy/National Nuclear Security Administration (DOE/NNSA).

As agreed upon by the LLNS partners, the University of California (UC) will lead the search process, which will be similar in scope and breadth to prior director searches. The process includes a search committee and a screening task force, both of which include LLNL colleagues, academic leaders from UC and other higher education institutions, along with noted scientists and administrators knowledgeable about LLNL, its scientific work and its role as a DOE/NNSA laboratory. In addition, an executive search firm has been hired.

Pattiz chairs the search committee. Marvin Adams, a professor of nuclear engineering at Texas A&M University, will lead the screening task force.

The position has been posted on the LLNL and UC websites, along with other national lab and LLNS partner websites. The job also will be advertised nationally.

As part of the process, the search committee will gather at LLNL in January for “Lab Day” to hear from employees, management and NNSA’s Livermore Field Office manager. The committee will use Lab Day to further develop selection criteria to be used to assess candidates.
The candidate selected by UC will be subject to the approval of the LLNS Executive Committee and the concurrence of DOE. The new Laboratory director also will serve as president of LLNS, LLC.

“LLNL has a stellar record of outstanding science, engineering and technology in support of the nation, and the selection of a visionary leader is critical to the Laboratory’s continued success,” said Pattiz, who also chair’s the UC Regents Committee on Oversight of the DOE Laboratories.

“The selection of the Laboratory’s next leader is a responsibility that all of us involved in the search process take very seriously. Collectively, we will have an impressive group of individuals providing advice and counsel, and I am confident that we will have an exceptional outcome.”

A website has been created for the search process at https://www.llnl.gov/director-search

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LLNS manages Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory for the Department of Energy/National Nuclear Security Administration. LLNS is comprised of: Bechtel, the largest project management contractor in the United States; University of California, the world’s largest public research institution; BWX Technologies and Washington Division of URS Corporation, the top two DOE nuclear facilities contractors; and Battelle, a global leader in science and technology and technology commercialization. The team also includes Texas A&M University, which provides programs in homeland security and national security.

More information on LLNS is available on the Website, www.llnsllc.com