



April 30, 2025

Subject: Department of Energy Guidance on DeepSeek Flow-Down Requirements to All Battelle Energy Alliance, LLC, Subcontractors and Lower-Tier Subcontractors

Dear Subcontractors:

On April 17, 2025, Battelle Energy Alliance, LLC (BEA) was directed by the Department of Energy (DOE) to implement the requirements outlined in the Memorandum For Chief Information Officers, DOE Guidance on DeepSeek, dated March 28, 2025 (Directive). This Directive is found at <https://vendor.inl.gov/Document/ProcurementFormsAndDocuments/2>. This Directive, or its successor, if any, is hereby flowed down to all BEA subcontractors and their lower-tier subcontractors, effective immediately.

If DeepSeek or its products were/are installed on any DOE asset (i.e., laptops, phones, tablets) or a device that is DOE-network accessible, that must be reported to Mr. Robert Roser, BEA's Chief Information Security Officer, at robert.roser@inl.gov. Please note that personal use of DeepSeek and/or its products on non-DOE-network accessible devices is outside of DOE's purview.

If you have any questions, please contact the BEA Procurement Representative identified in the contract between your company and BEA. We appreciate your continued cooperation by complying with this DOE Directive as we all work to maintain security and privacy.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Robert Roser, BEA