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NASA takes tech proposals from 11 Colorado small businesses

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NASA has chosen research and technology proposals from 11 Colorado small businesses for negotiation of possible development contracts. Nationwide, 300 proposals with a combined value of about \$38 million were selected. The NASA program helps businesses explore technological potential while providing the incentive to profit from new commercial products and services.

The partnerships bring space technologies to the marketplace while helping startups, creating jobs and meeting NASA's current and future mission needs, said Michael Gazarik, NASA's director of space technology.

TDA Research of Wheat Ridge won two awards in partnership with the University of Colorado at Boulder, and a third award on its own.

Other winners: Tech-X of Boulder, Numerica of Loveland, Composite Technology Development of Lafayette, Genova Engineering of Wheat Ridge, Vescent Photonics of Denver, SPEC of Boulder, ColdQuanta of Boulder, Eltron Research & Development of Boulder, GeoVisual Technologies of Boulder, and Colorado Power Electronics of Fort Collins.