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To: [Kerman, Sara J. \(Fed\)](#)
Subject: RE: New PQC FAQ
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Thanks!

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Done on both sites.

Sara

From: Moody, Dustin (Fed)
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Subject: New PQC FAQ

Sara,

We have a new FAQ for you to put up (no rush). Thanks!

Dustin

Q: What are the definition of the terms inventor and owner as used in the CFP?

A: An inventor is whoever conceived of the algorithm described and implemented in the submission. If more than one person conceived of the algorithm, the algorithm will have been invented by co-inventors.

An owner of the algorithm is the inventor unless and until the inventor assigns (i.e., transfers ownership) the algorithm to another. In the case of co-inventors, the co-inventors jointly own the algorithm, and each co-inventor may assign their individual ownership interest in the algorithm. The algorithm may be claimed in a patent or a patent application, and the patent or patent application can be assigned to transfer ownership of the patent or patent application to an assignee.

The implementation of the algorithm may be subject to copyright, and the owner of the copyright in the implementation of the algorithm is initially the author or authors of the implementation. Authors of a joint work (i.e., an implementation made by more than one author) are co-owners of copyright in the implementation. The employer or other person for whom the implementation was

prepared may own all rights comprised in the copyright of the implementation.

Each submission must include signed statements by the submitter(s), patent (and patent application) owner(s), as well as the reference/optimized implementations' owner(s). If an algorithm or implementation is put into the public domain, we still require the signed statements from the submitter(s) and owner(s) exactly as specified in Section 2.D of the Call for Proposals.