

## Statement of Interest Certifications

### Instructions and Use of This Information by the Department

Submission of a Statement of Interest (SOI) is required to be eligible to submit an application. Failure to submit an SOI will result in a full application not being reviewed. The SOI must be submitted at the CHIPS portal at <http://applications.chips.gov>. Submitting an SOI does not obligate an organization to submit a full application. Proposers will not receive any feedback on the SOI other than a message confirming receipt. The lead organization listed on an application must remain the same as the corresponding SOI. However, the composition of the team (i.e., senior personnel and partner organizations) may change at the discretion of the proposer between the submission of the SOI and the time of submission of the full application.

Information submitted in the Statement of Interest (SOI) is being provided to the U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC) for DOC's informational and planning purposes only. This means that any information contained in the SOI will not be used as part of the award review and selection process; further, the contents of this submission shall not be considered binding and the submitter may change any information provided in the SOI as part of any subsequent Pre-Application and Full Application submissions.

DOC recognizes the importance of protecting confidential business information and will follow applicable laws to protect such information, including, for example, the CHIPS Act, the Trade Secrets Act, and the Freedom of Information Act. Please refer to Section IV.B. of the **CHIPS Incentives Program - Commercial Fabrication Facilities** Notice of Funding Opportunity (CHIPS-CFF NOFO) for a further discussion of these laws. By submitting this SOI, applicant represents that it has read Section IV.B of the CHIPS-CCF NOFO information and acknowledges and agrees that the information contained in the SOI may be used by DOC in accordance with that section.

### Submission Certifications:

The individual submitting the SOI certifies on behalf of the applicant entity that the data and information submitted and the representations made in this submission are true and correct, to the best of the applicant's knowledge as of the date of submission.

The individual submitting the SOI further certifies that they possess the full legal authority to submit this SOI on behalf of the applicant entity.

### Public Communications:

The individual submitting the SOI acknowledges that neither the applicant entity nor its affiliates may issue any press release or otherwise publicly disclose the status of the SOI or the contents of any communications with DOC without DOC's prior written consent.