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Dear Mr. Ozguner,

The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) conducted site visits to determine the 40 semifinalists to receive invitations to the National Qualification Event (NQE).

The hard work by your team clearly showed during your static and dynamic site evaluations. DARPA is pleased to offer your team an invitation to participate as a DARPA Grand Challenge semifinalist in the National Qualification Event (NQE) at the California Speedway, September 27, 2005, to October 6, 2005.

DARPA will invite only 40 teams to the NQE. Please accept this invitation only if you are willing to commit the time and resources necessary to participate in the NQE and, if selected, the Grand Challenge event on October 8, 2005.

To accept this invitation, please follow the instructions that you will be receiving via e-mail, or notify Ron Kurjanowicz at ron.kurjanowicz@darpa.mil if you wish to decline.

Congratulations on your team's selection as a DARPA Grand Challenge semifinalist. We look forward to your participation, and thank you for your willingness to work on important technologies that can save the lives of our Nation's men and women in uniform.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anthony J. Tether". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Anthony J. Tether
Director