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Dr. Paul Withers  
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Dear Dr. Withers,

The Jet Propulsion Laboratory is pleased to inform you that we desire to enter into negotiations with your host institution for the MER EDL reconstruction portion of your proposal entitled "*Spirit and Opportunity Atmospheric EDL Density/Temperature Profiles*", submitted in response to Request For Proposal #CDP-RFP-RF180507. You will be contacted by a Subcontracts Manager very shortly to establish a schedule for negotiations.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Flores'.

Richard Flores  
Subcontracts Manager

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