Exascale Computing Project (ECP) Update

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ECP mission need

On July 29, 2015 the President established the National Strategic Computing Initiative (NSCI) to maximize the benefits of HPC for US economic competitiveness and scientific discovery.

DOE is a lead agency within NSCI with the responsibility that the DOE Office of Science and DOE National Nuclear Security Administration will execute a joint program focused on advanced simulation through a capable exascale computing program emphasizing sustained performance on relevant applications.
Programmatic components of the ECP

• It is a partnership between SC and NNSA, addressing science and national security missions
  – Relies on investments by SC/ASCR and NNSA/ASC
  – NNSA/ASC Advanced Technology Development and Mitigation (ATDM) supports activities for the delivery of exascale applications, software, and technology

• ECP does not procure exascale systems
  – ECP includes only activities required for the delivery of the exascale computing capability (procurements of exascale systems will follow SC and NNSA processes and timelines)

• Relationship of the ECP to the National Strategic Computing Initiative
  – On July 29, 2015, an executive order established the National Strategic Computing Initiative (NSCI) to ensure a coordinated Federal strategy in HPC research, development, and deployment.
  – DOE, along with the DoD and NSF, co-leads the NSCI. Within DOE, SC and NNSA execute the ECP, which is the primary DOE contribution to the NSCI.
ECP Goals

• Develop a broad set of modeling and simulation applications that meet the requirements of the scientific, engineering, and nuclear security programs of the Department of Energy and the NNSA

• Develop a productive exascale capability in the US by 2023, including the required software and hardware technologies

• Prepare two or more DOE Office of Science and NNSA facilities to house this capability

• Maximize the benefits of HPC for US economic competitiveness and scientific discovery
ECP Technical Approach

ECP will pursue a ten-year plan structured into four focus areas:

• **Application Development** deliver scalable science and mission performance on a suite of ECP applications that are ready for efficient execution on the ECP exascale systems.

• **Software Technology** enhance the software stack that DOE SC and NNSA applications rely on to meet the needs of exascale applications and evolve it to utilize efficiently exascale systems. Conduct R&D on tools and methods that enhance productivity and facilitate portability.

• **Hardware Technology** fund supercomputer vendors to do the research and development of hardware-architecture designs needed to build and support the exascale systems.

• **Exascale Systems** fund testbeds, advanced system engineering development (NRE) by the vendors, incremental site preparation, and cost of system expansion needed to acquire capable exascale systems.
Current ECP status

• Project office established at ORNL
• Project team leadership selected
• Project scope determined and detailed WBS created
• Successfully completed an Independent Cost Review and an Independent Design Review
• Solicited proposals in applications, co-design centers, and software technology for exascale
• Vendor information meeting for hardware technology April 6, 2016
  – draft RFP for PathForward (Hardware Technology R&D) is online
• Awaiting CD-0 approval
• Preparing for CD-1/3a review in May
# ECP Laboratory Team

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ECP Project Management Structure

- **Board of Directors**
  - **Project Director**
    - **Deputy Director**
      - **CTO**
      - **Integration Manager**

- **Project Office Team**
  - **Director PM**
  - **Reporting & Controls; Risk and Quality Assessment; Business Services; Procurement; IT; Outreach**

- **Under Secretary for Science and Energy**
- **Under Secretary for Nuclear Security**
- **Office of Science Director**
- **Defense Programs Deputy Administrator**
- **ASCR Director**
- **ASC Director**
- **ASCR Program Manager**
- **ASC Program Manager**
- **Federal Project Director (SC)**
- **Deputy Project Director (NNSA)**

- **Department of Energy**
  - **Federal Agency Council**
  - **Office of Science Director**
  - **Defense Programs Deputy Administrator**
  - **ASCR Director**
  - **ASC Director**
  - **ASCR Program Manager**
  - **ASC Program Manager**
  - **Federal Project Director (SC)**
  - **Deputy Project Director (NNSA)**

- **Exascale Systems Director**
- **Application Development Director**
- **Software Technology Director**
- **Hardware Technology Director**

- **Science Council**
- **Industry Council**
**ECP Timeline**

The Project has three phases:
- Phase 1 – R&D before DOE facilities exascale systems RFP in 2019
- Phase 2 – Exascale architectures and NRE are known. Targeted development
- Phase 3 – Exascale systems delivered. Meet Mission Challenges