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To: Coordinator, NASENI Research Commercialization Grant Program

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Subject: Request for Waiver of Published Paper Requirement

I am writing in connection with my application for the NASENI grant on the LPG-Powered Food Dehydrator project. I understand that the submission of published papers is one of the stated requirements for applicants. However, I kindly wish to explain my current position and appeal for your consideration.

2. At present, I do not have a published paper to submit with my application. Nonetheless, I have developed a well-structured project concept that is already positioned to produce the first version of a working prototype. The proposed product has strong potential for commercialization, as it introduces improved features and practical solutions that address identifiable gaps in existing products on the market.

3. In addition, I am currently preparing a comprehensive review paper intended for publication. This paper will detail the production concept, analyze existing product versions in the market, highlight the knowledge gap that my innovation seeks to address, and present the improved features incorporated into my design.

4. While the absence of a published paper at this moment may appear as a limitation, I believe the strength of my prototype concept demonstrates originality, feasibility, and commercialization prospect. The technical know-how required to translate the proposal into a tangible product has already been confirmed, and the prototype will serve as the basis for a commercially viable solution that can meet Nigerian market needs.

5. I therefore respectfully request a waiver of the published paper requirement for my application. I kindly urge you to consider the prototype's improved features, its alignment with market demand, and the demonstrated readiness to bring it into successful development. Granting this waiver will not only encourage innovation but also support a project that has significant potential for societal and economic impact.

6. I sincerely appreciate your kind attention to this request and look forward to your favorable consideration



Yours faithfully,

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