

Round 2 Catalyst Research and
Development (R&D) Pilot Seed Grant
Program
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If you have any questions, please email CSITCatalyst@njeda.com

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- The grant must be used for <u>Research and Development projects</u>, or <u>the testing of technologies</u>.
- If you are applying for this grant, you are <u>ineligible</u> to apply for the Food and Agriculture Research and Development Pilot Seed Grant.
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IMPORTANT DEADLINES:

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- All required support documents to upload are listed at the end of the application. After submission, applicants will be contacted and given 10 business days to submit any missing documents. Applicants that fail to meet the deadline will be declined.
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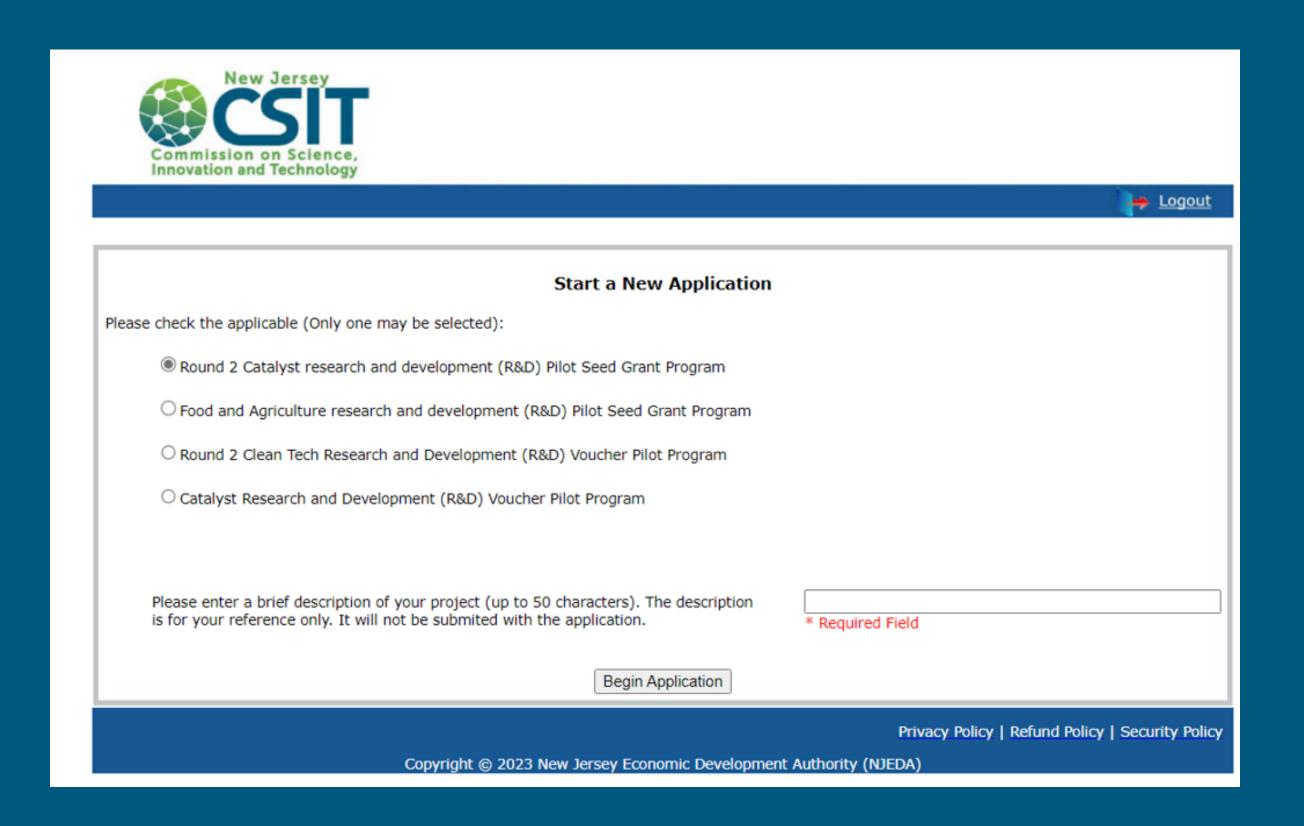
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In order to complete your online application, you must register for an account with a username and password on our system. Your username and password will allow you to fill out the application in steps as your schedule permits.

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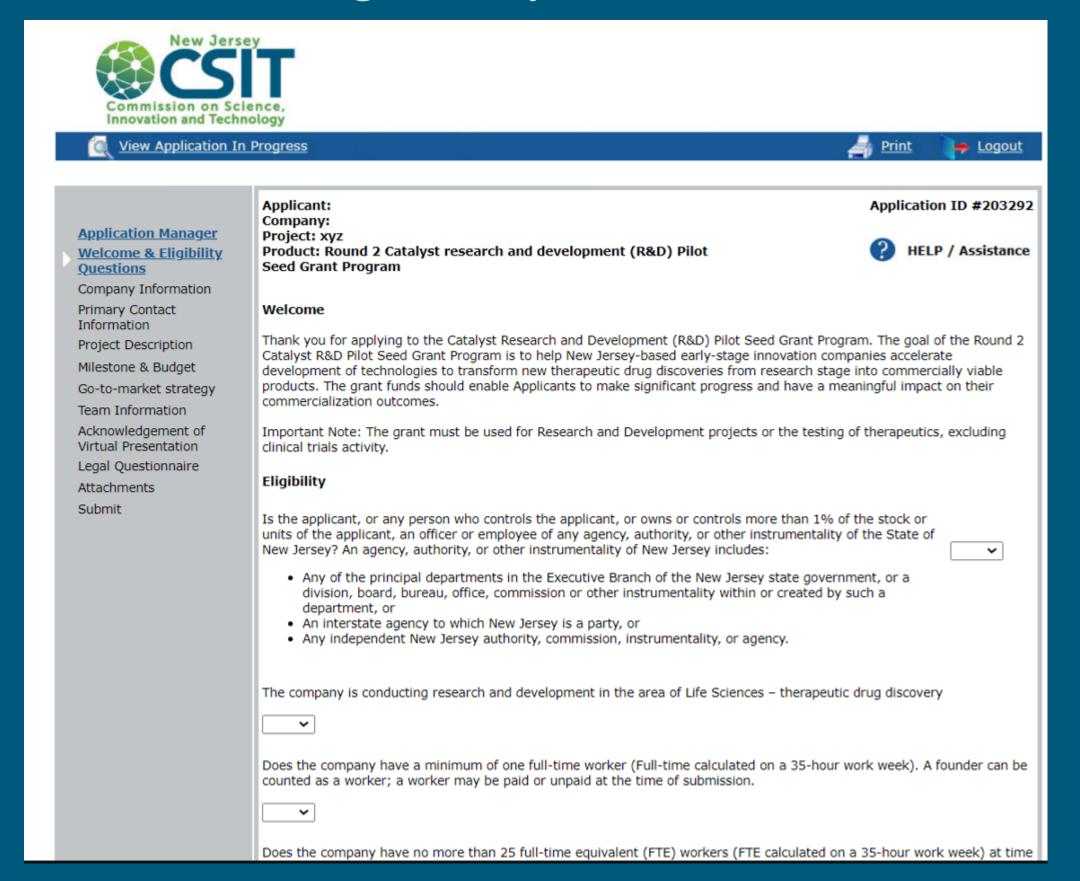
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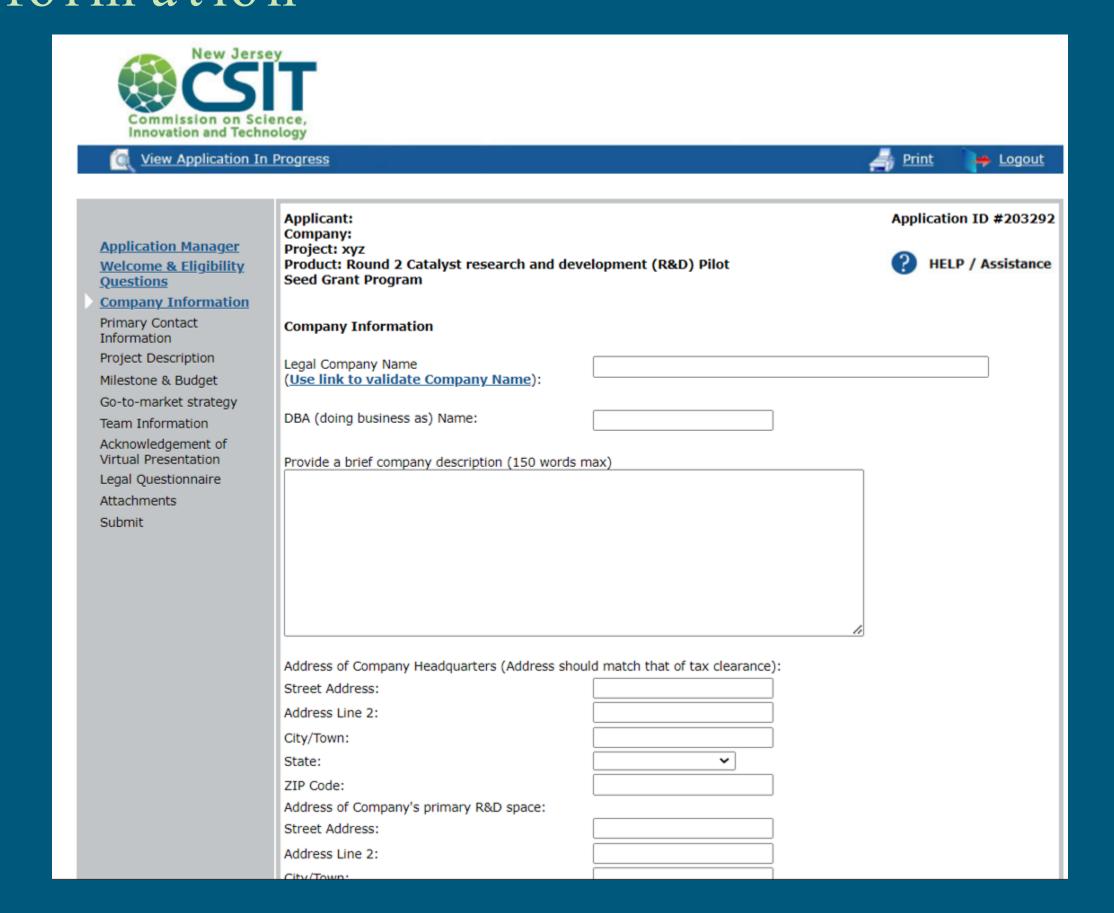


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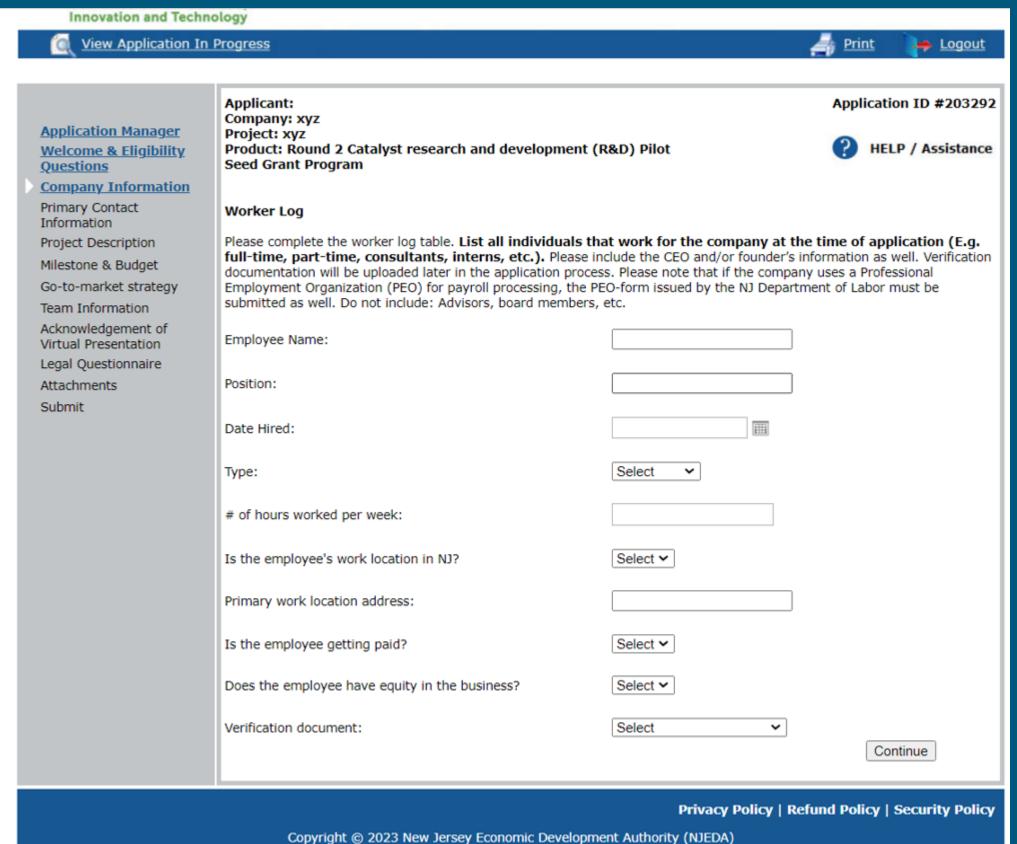
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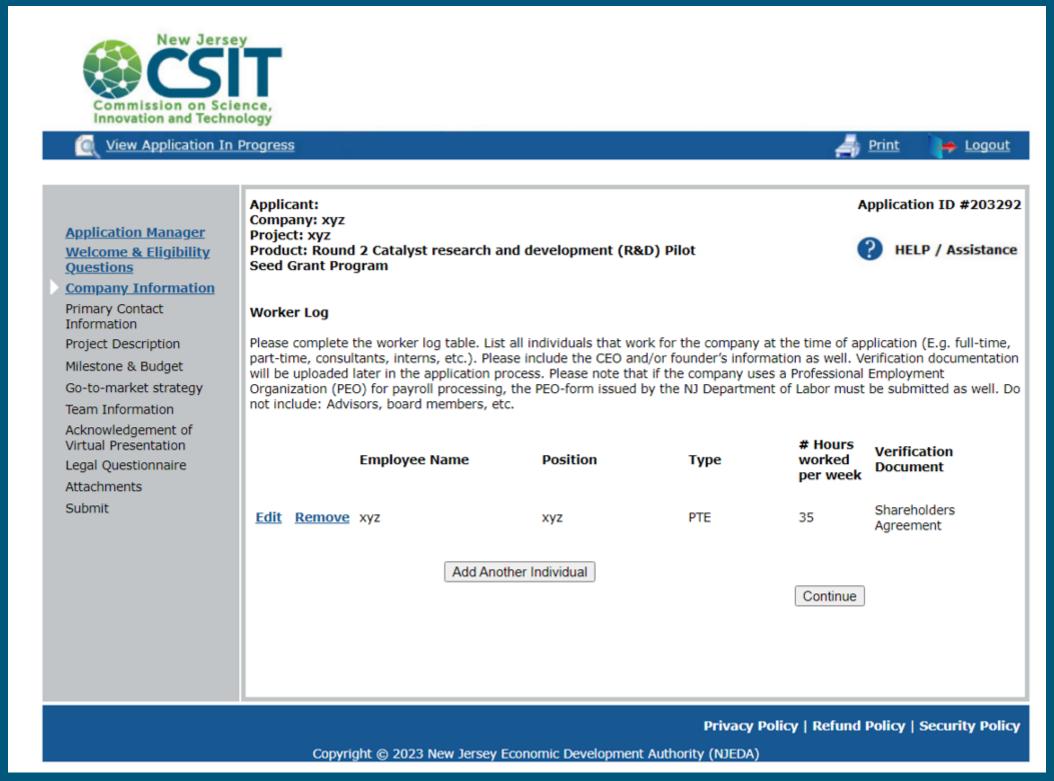


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	Address Line 2:	
	City/Town:	
	State:	
	ZIP Code:	
	Address of Company's primary R&D space:	
	Street Address:	
	Address Line 2:	
	City/Town:	
	State:	
	ZIP Code:	
	Company Website:	
	State of Formation of Company	~
	Year Established:	~
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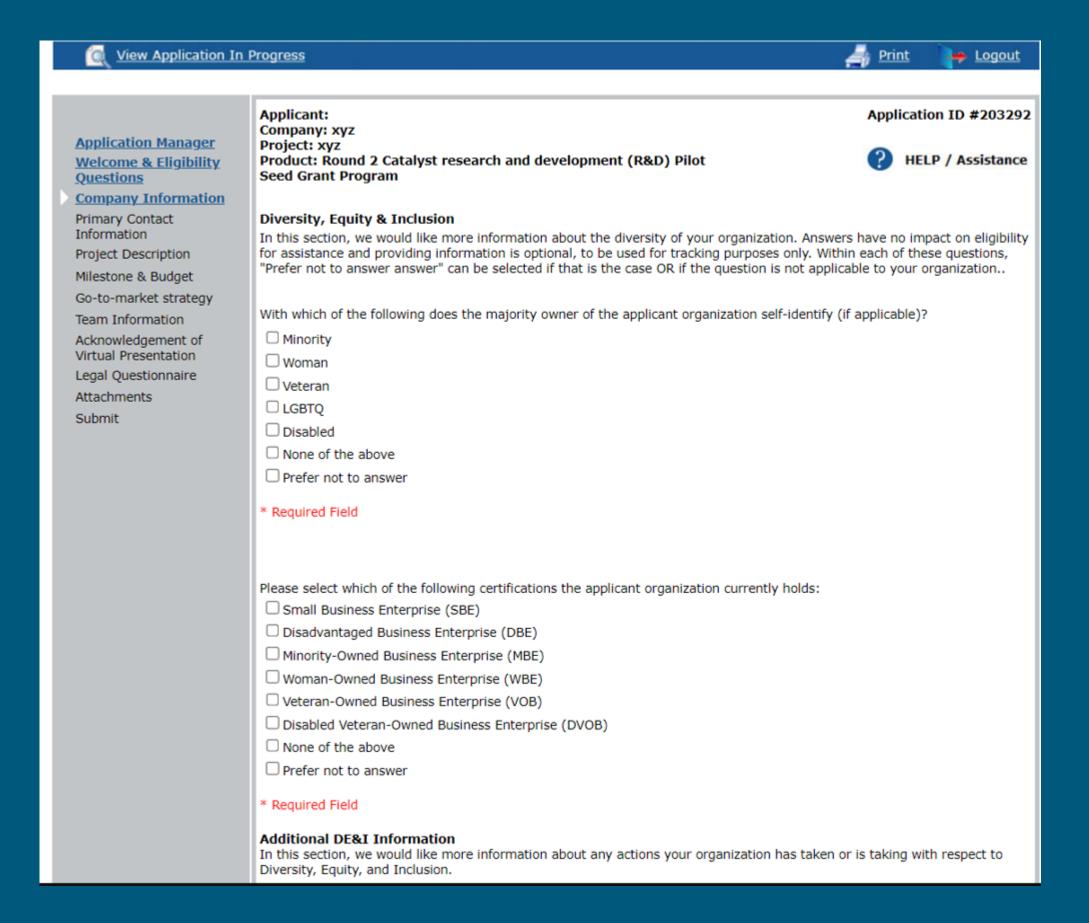
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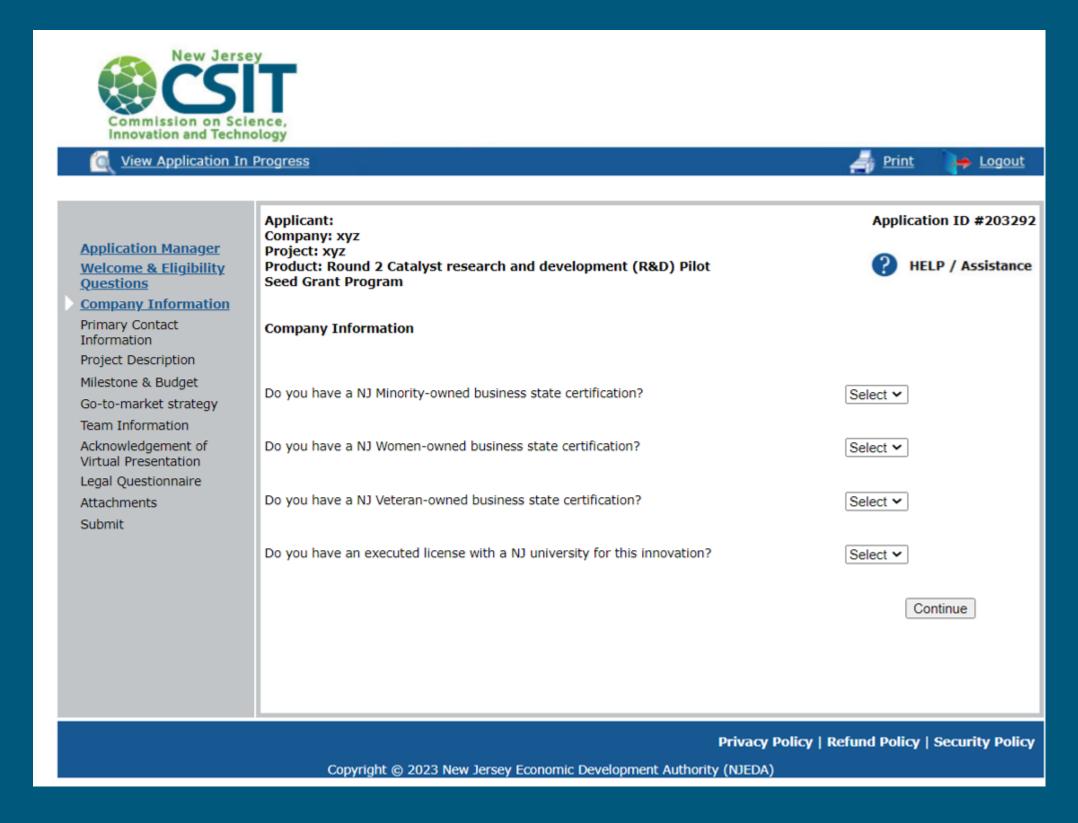


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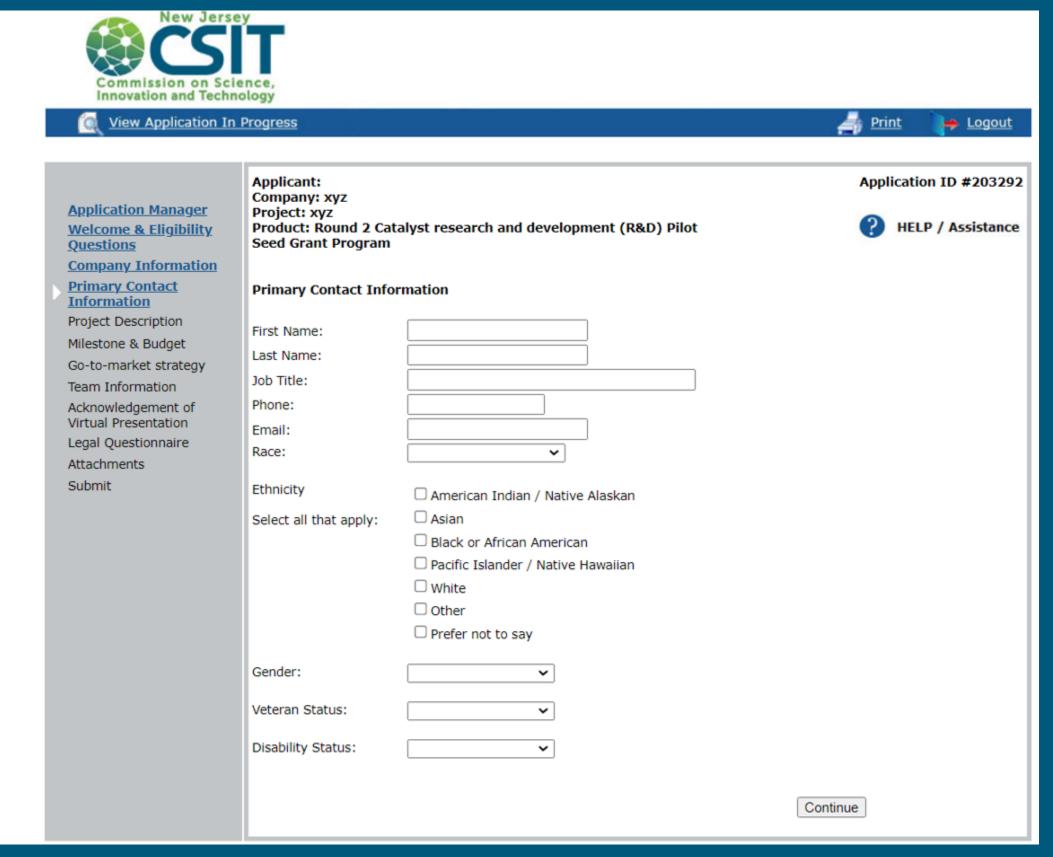


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Additional DE&I Information In this section, we would like more information about any actions your organization has taken or is taking with respect to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.
Please describe whether your organization organization's leadership team is made up of a diverse group of individuals. Please provide as much detail as possible about the composition of your leadership team as it relates to groups that have been historically underrepresented (minority, woman, veteran, LGBTQ, disabled).
☐ Question is not applicable ☐ Prefer not to answer
* Required Field
Please describe whether your organization organization's Board of Directors is made up of a diverse group of individuals. Please provide as much detail as possible about the composition of your leadership team as it relates to groups that have been historically underrepresented (minority, woman, veteran, LGBTQ, disabled).
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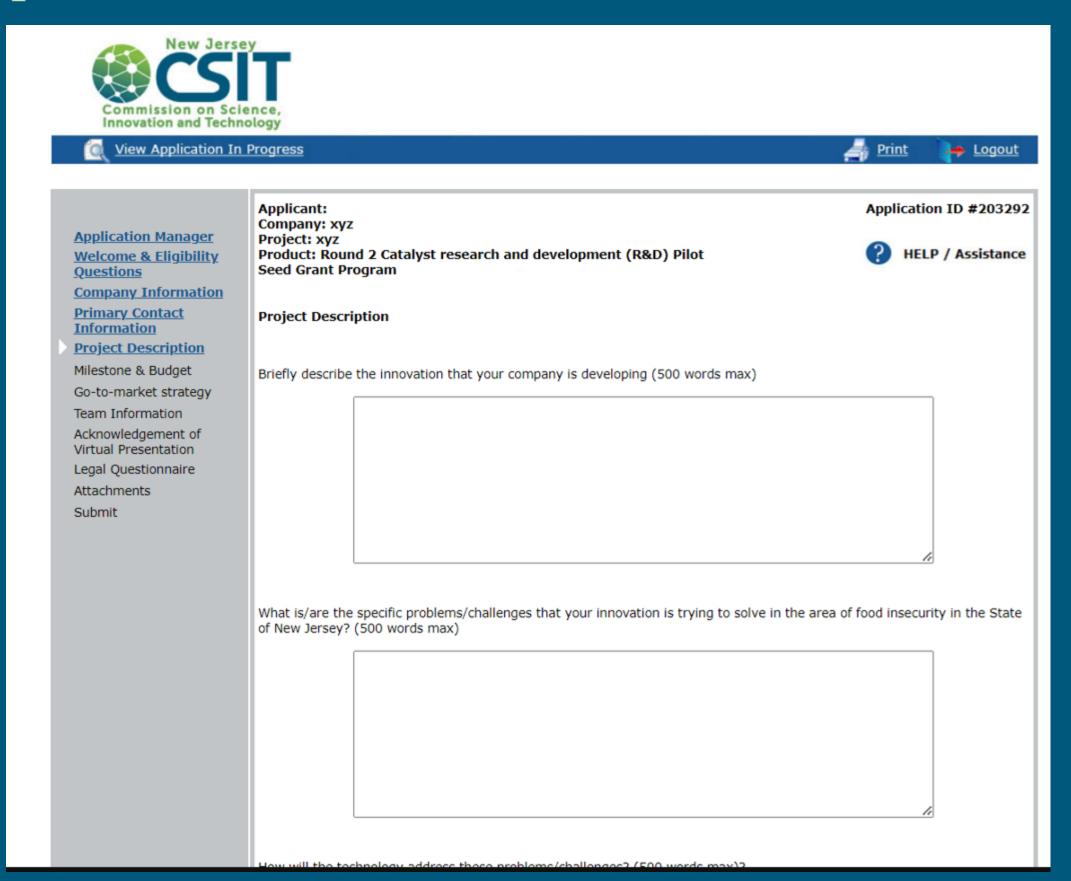
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* Required Field Please describe any diversity initiatives, programs or plans the applicant organization has established.
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Primary Contact Information



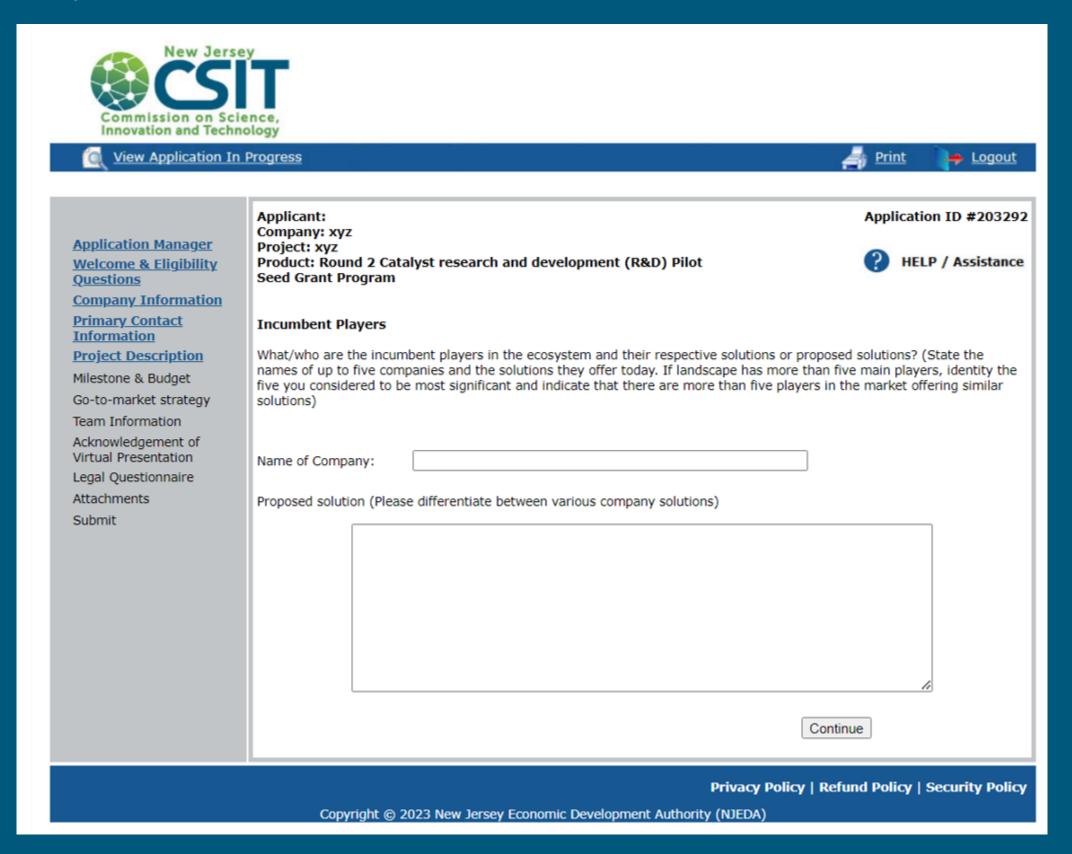
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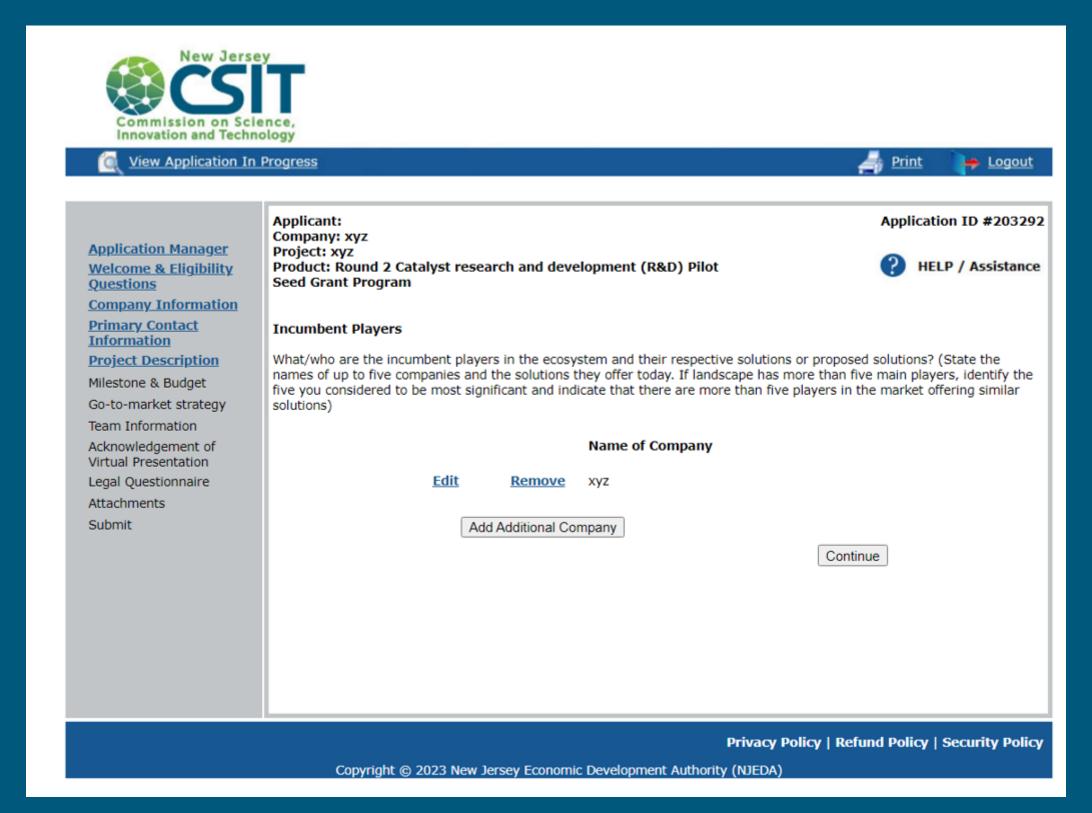
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Go-to-market strategy	
Team Information	
Acknowledgement of Virtual Presentation	
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	What is/are the specific problems/challenges that your innovation is trying to solve in the area of food insecurity in the State
	of New Jersey? (500 words max)
	How will the technology address these problems/challenges? (500 words max)?
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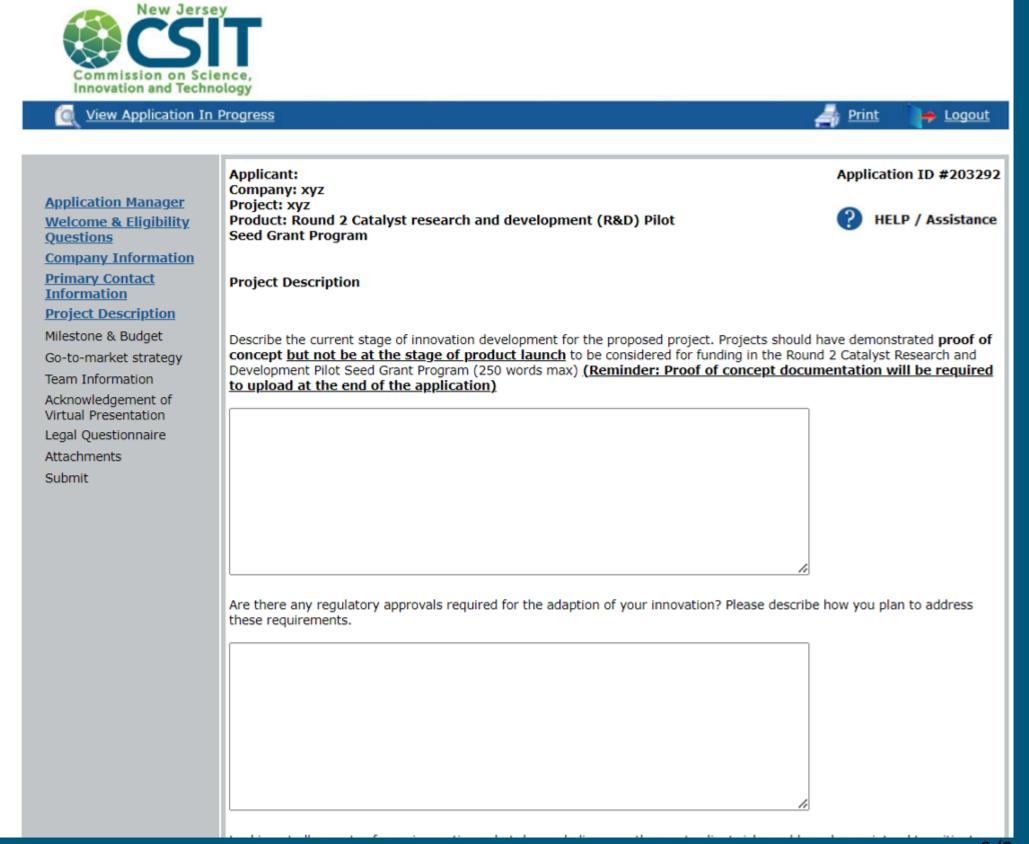
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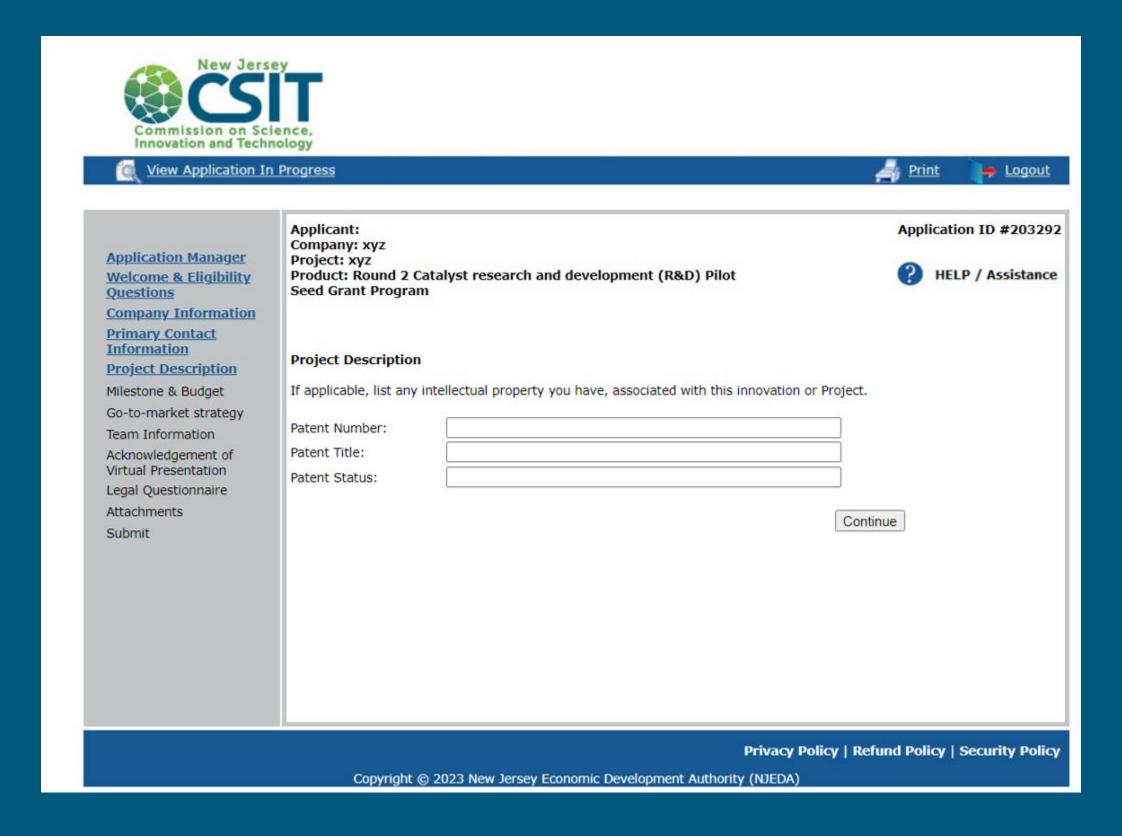
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Looking at all aspects of your innovation, what do you believe are the most salient risks and how do you intend to mitigate
the risks. (250 words max)
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Project Description cont.

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	Intellectual Property
	Do you have any intellectual property associated with this innovation or Project?
	Please describe any plans the company has to file intellectual property related to the proposed project.
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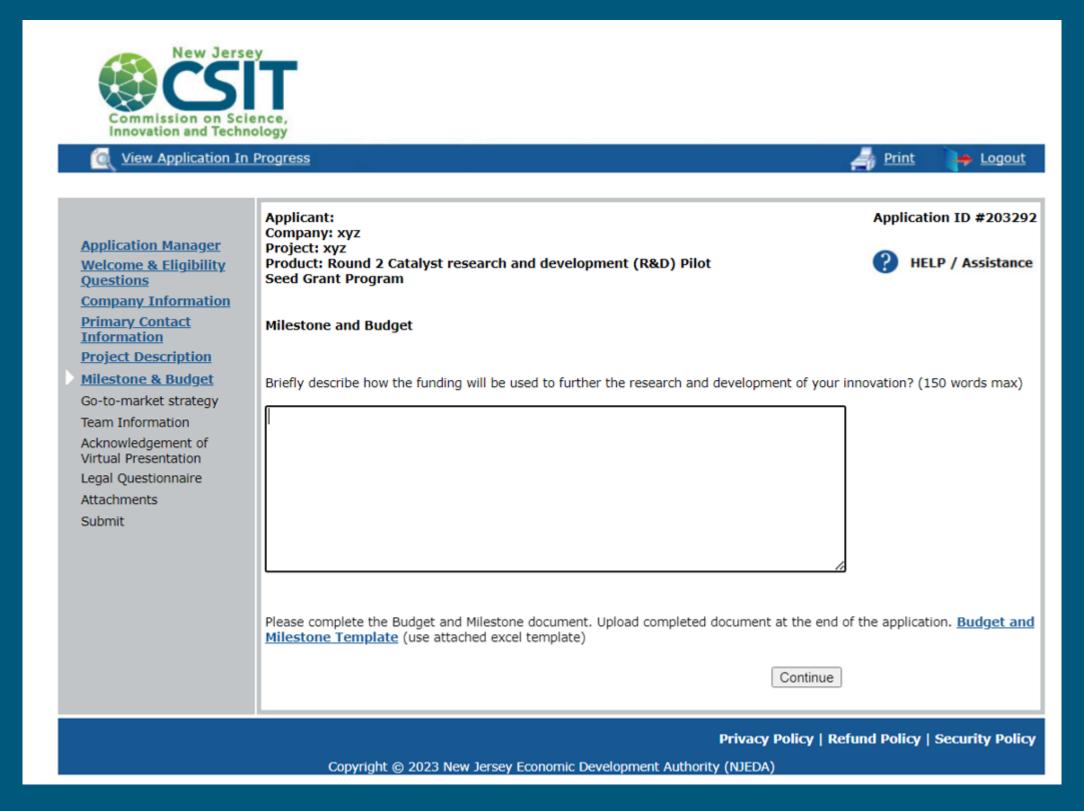
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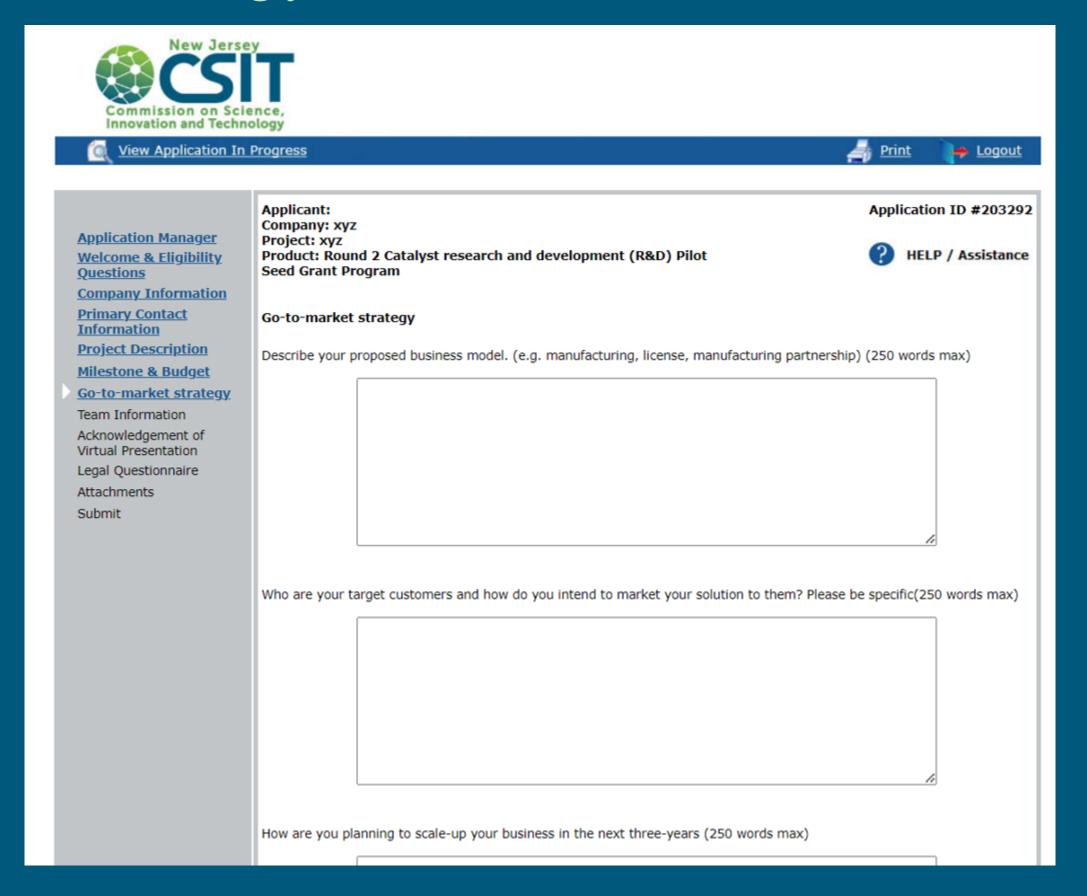
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Online Application Milestone and Budget



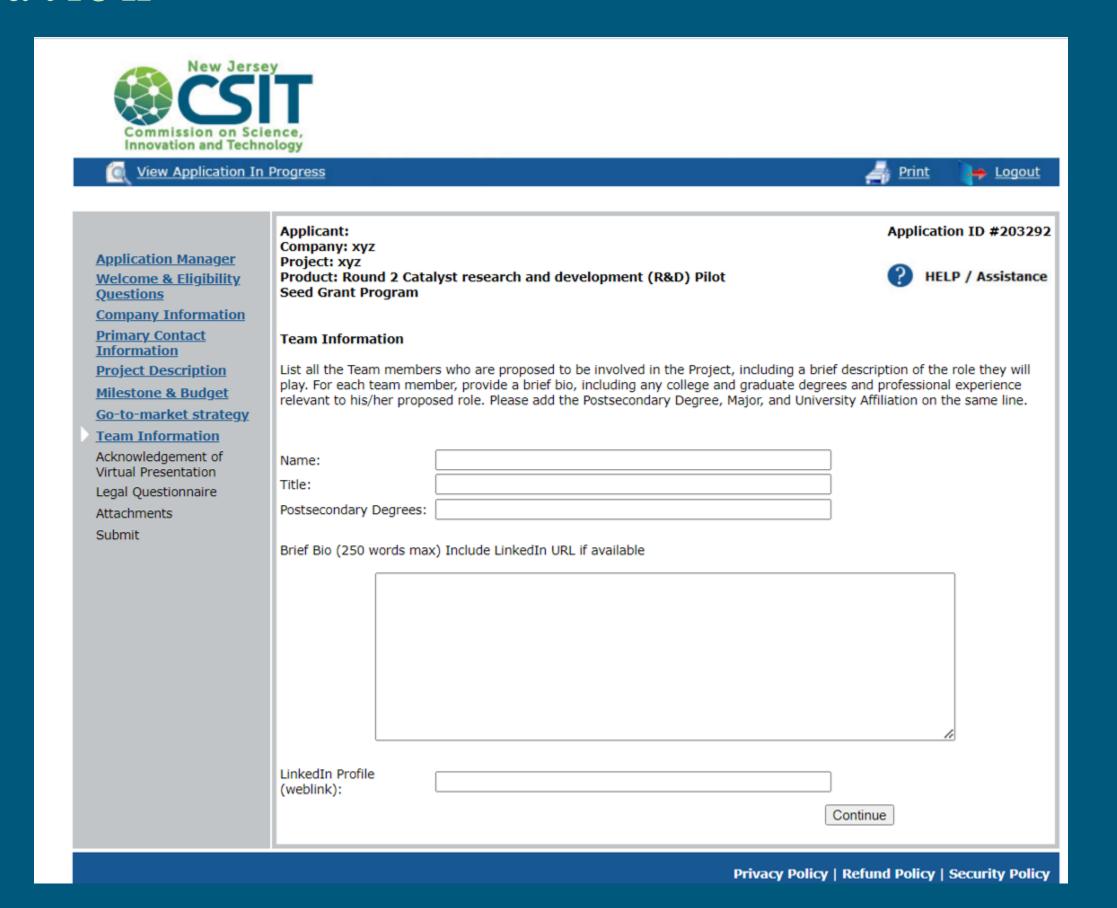
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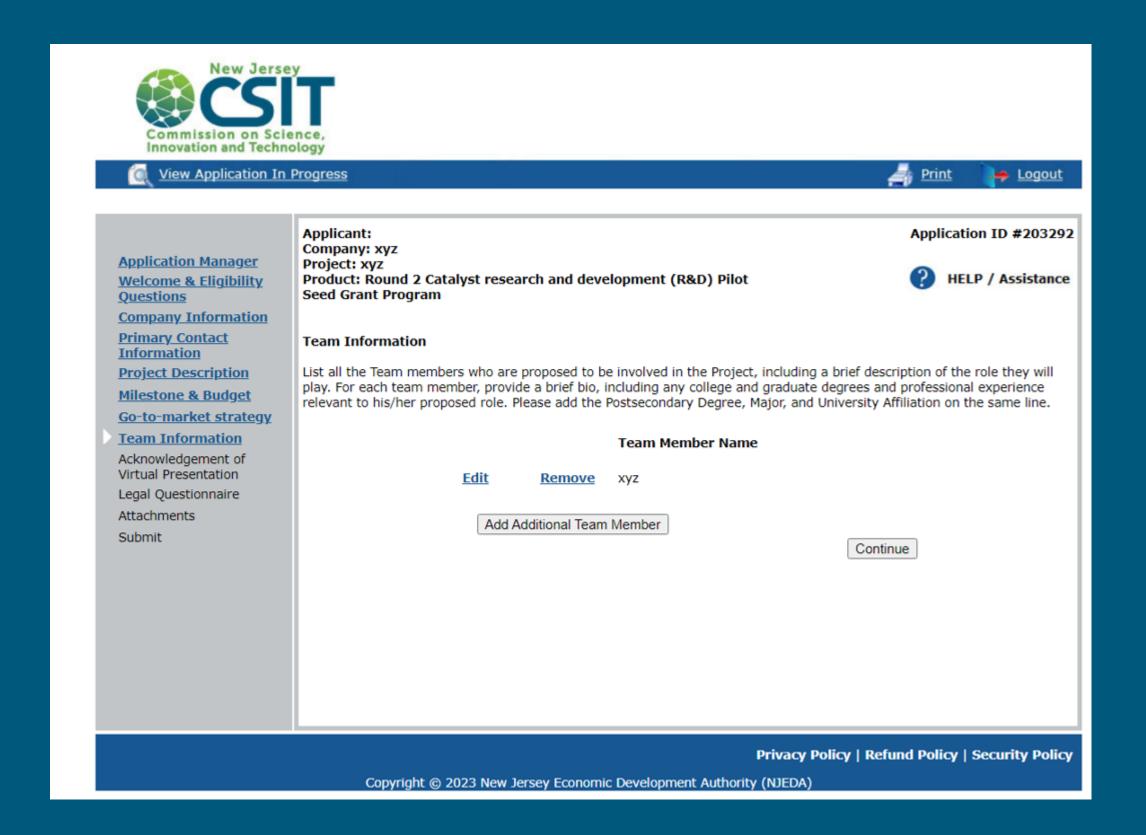
Go-To-Market Strategy

	How are you planning to scale-up your business in the next three-years (250 words max)
	Economic Impact
	How many jobs do you intend to create in the next 3-years and in what career fields? (100 words max)
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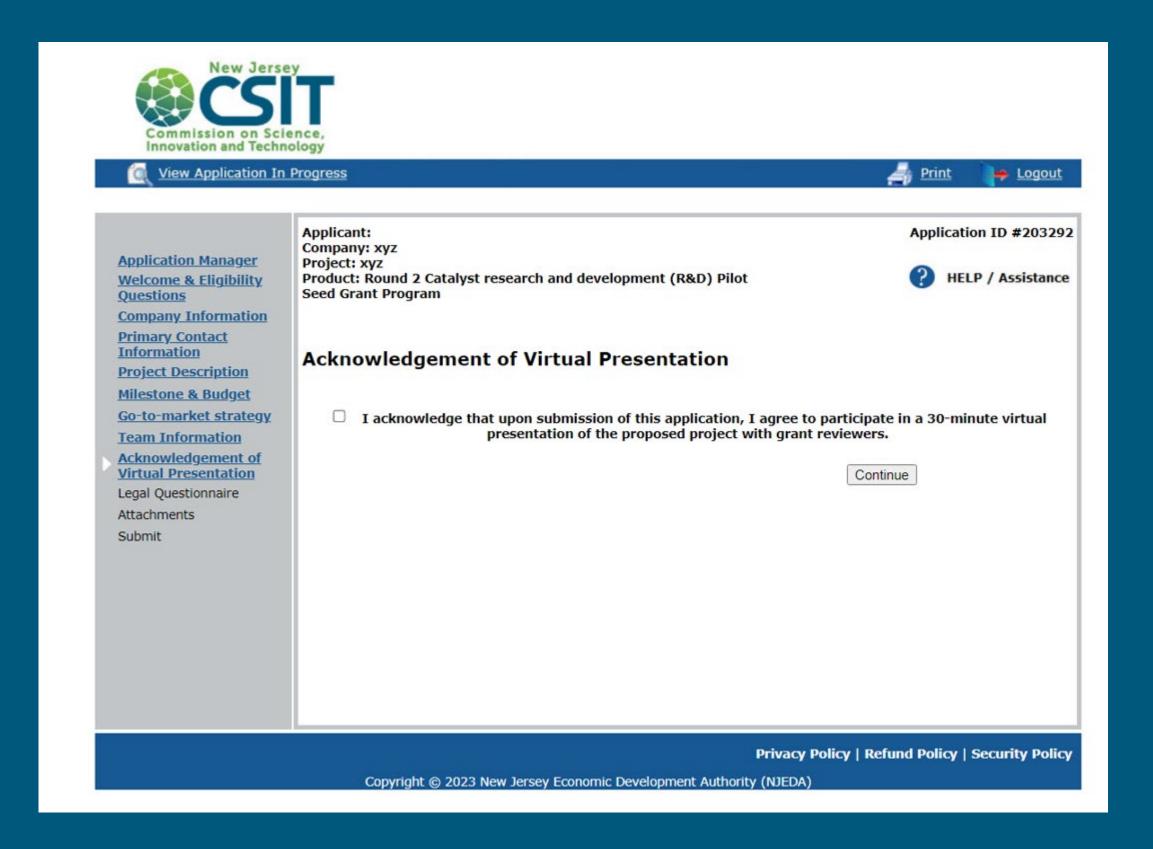
Team Information



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Online Application Acknowledgement



Online Application Legal Questionnaire







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<u>Application Manager</u> <u>Welcome & Eligibility</u> Questions

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Applicant:

Company: xyz Project: xyz

Product: Round 2 Catalyst research and development (R&D) Pilot

Seed Grant Program

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New Jersey Commission on Science, Innovation, and Technology Legal Questionnaire

Persons (entities or individuals) applying for CSIT programs are subject to the Disqualification/Debarment set forth in Executive Order 34 (Byrne 1976). Applicants are required to answer the following background questions ("Legal Questionnaire") pertaining to causes that may lead to debarment, disqualification, or suspension from eligibility under the Regulations and Executive Orders 34 (Byrne 1976) and 189 (Kean 1988) after consideration of all relevant mitigating factors. Governmental entities are not required to submit this Legal Questionnaire and may leave it empty.

Note that this form has recently been modified.

Please review in its entirety prior to providing any responses or certifications.

DEFINITIONS

Notwithstanding any terms defined elsewhere or otherwise herein, the following definitions shall govern in responding to this Legal Questionnaire:

"Affiliates" means any entities or persons having an overt or covert relationship such that any one of them directly or indirectly controls or has the power to control another. For the purposes of application for, or ongoing compliance with, CSIT-administered programs, this includes:

- any entities or persons having an ownership interest in Applicant of 10% or greater;
- any entities in which Applicant holds an ownership interest of 10% or greater; and
- any entities that are named in the application and/or agreement, or that will receive a direct benefit from the financing, incentive, or other agreement with CSIT.

Note that any entities or persons fitting these definitions will need to be listed in Part C on the next page.

"Legal Proceedings" means any civil, criminal, or administrative proceedings in a State or Federal court or administrative tribunal in the United States or any territories thereof.

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Legal Questionnaire cont.

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Responses should be given based on the following "look-back" periods:

- . For civil matters, those that were either pending or concluded within 5 years of the reporting date;
- For criminal matters, those that were either pending or concluded within 10 years of the reporting date:
- For environmental regulatory matters, those that were either pending or concluded within 10 years of the reporting date; and
- For all other regulatory matters, those that were either pending or concluded within 5 years of the reporting date.

Note that in cases where Applicant has previously submitted and certified a legal questionnaire to CSIT, the Applicant may refer to its prior legal questionnaire and report only those matters that are new or have changed in status since the date of last reporting.

Part A. Past Proceedings

Has Applicant, or any officers or directors of Applicant, or any Affiliates of Applicant, been found or conceded or admitted to being guilty, liable or responsible in any Legal Proceeding, or conceded or admitted to facts in any Legal Proceedings that demonstrate responsibility for any of the following violations or conduct? (Any civil or criminal decisions or verdicts that have been vacated or expunged need not be reported.)

~	1. Commission of a criminal offense as an incident to obtaining or attempting to obtain a public o
private c	contract, or subcontract there under, or in the performance of such contract or subcontract.

- 2. Violation of the Federal Organized Crime Control Act of 1970, or commission of embezzlement, theft, fraud, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, perjury, false swearing, receiving stolen property, obstruction of justice, or any other offense indicating a lack of business integrity or honesty.
- ▼ 3. Violation of the Federal or State antitrust statutes, or of the Federal Anti-Kickback Act (18U.S.C. 874).
- ✓ 4. Violation of any law governing the conduct of elections of the Federal Government, State of New Jersey or of its political subdivision.
- ➤ 5. Violation of the "Law Against Discrimination" (P.L. 1945, c169, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1 et seq., as supplemented by P.L. 1975, c127), or of the act banning discrimination in public works employment (N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 et seq.) or of the act prohibiting discrimination by industries engaged in defense work in the employment of persons therein (P.L. 1942, c114, N.J.S.A. 10:1-10, et seq.).

✓ 6. To the best of your knowledge, after reasonable inquiry, violation of any laws governing hours of

Legal Questionnaire cont.

✓ 6. To the best of your knowledge, after reasonable inquiry, violation of any laws governing hours of labor, minimum wage standards, prevailing wage standards, discrimination in wages, or child labor.

7. To the best of your knowledge after reasonable inquiry, violation of any law governing the conduct of occupations or professions of regulated industries.

8. Debarment by any department, agency, or instrumentality of the State or Federal government.

9. Violation of the Conflict of Interest Law, N.J.S.A. 52:13D-12 et seq., including any of the following prohibitions on vendor activities representing a conflict of interest, or failure to report a solicitation as set forth below:

- i. No person shall pay, offer or agree to pay, either directly or indirectly, any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity, or other thing of value of any kind to any CSIT officer or employee or special CSIT officer or employee, as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13(b) and (e), with which such person transacts or offers or proposes to transact business, or to any member of the immediate family as defined by N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13(i), of any such officer or employee, or partnership, firm, or corporation with which they are employed or associated, or in which such officer or employee has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13(g).
- ii. The solicitation of any fee, commission, compensation, gift, gratuity or other thing of value by any CSIT officer or employee or special CSIT officer or employee from any person shall be reported in writing by the person to the Attorney General and the NJEDA Ethics Liaison Officer.
- iii. No person may, directly or indirectly, undertake any private business, commercial or entrepreneurial relationship with, whether or not pursuant to employment, contract or other agreement, express or implied, or sell any interest in such person to, any CSIT officer or employee or special CSIT officer or employee having any duties or responsibilities in connection with the purchase, acquisition or sale of any property or services by or to CSIT, or with any person, firm or entity with which he or she is employed or associated or in which he or she has an interest within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 52:13D-13(g). Any relationships subject to this subsection shall be reported in writing to the NJEDA Ethics Liaison Officer and the State Ethics Commission, which may grant a waiver of this restriction upon application of the CSIT officer or employee or special CSIT officer or employee upon a finding that the present or proposed relationship does not present the potential, actually or appearance of a conflict of interest.
- iv. No person shall influence, or attempt to influence or cause to be influenced, any CSIT officer or employee or special CSIT officer or employee in his or her capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of the officer or employee.
- v. No person shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any CSIT officer or employee or special CSIT officer or employee to use, or attempt to use, his or her official position to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the person or any other person. No person shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any CSIT officer or employee or special CSIT officer or employee to use, or attempt to use, his or her official position to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the person or any other person.

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- i. Laws banning or prohibiting discrimination or harassment in the workplace.
- ii. Laws prohibiting or banning any form of forced, slave, or compulsory labor.
- iii. The New Jersey Conscientious Employee Protection Act, N. J. Stat. Ann. § 34:19-1 et seq., or other "Whistleblower Laws" that protect employees from retaliation for disclosing, or threatening to disclose, to a supervisor or to a public body an activity, policy or practice of the employer, that the employee reasonably believes is in violation of a law, or a rule or regulation issued under the law.
- iv. Securities or tax laws resulting in a finding of fraud or fraudulent conduct.
- v. Environmental laws, where the monetary award, penalties, damages, etc. amounted to more than \$1 million.
- vi. Laws banning anti-competitive dumping of goods.
- vii. Anti-terrorist laws.
- viii. Criminal laws involving commission of any felony or indictable offense under State or Federal law.
- ix. Laws banning human rights abuses.
- x. Laws banning the trade of goods or services to enemies of the United States.

Part B. Pending Proceedings

✓ 11. To the best of your knowledge, after reasonable inquiry, are Applicant, or any officers or directors of Applicant, or any Affiliates, a party to pending Legal Proceedings, or the subject of a criminal investigation, wherein any of the offenses or violations described in questions 1-10 above are alleged or asserted against such entity or person? With respect to laws banning or prohibiting discrimination or harassment in the workplace, please provide only information pertaining to any class action lawsuits.

If the answer to any of the foregoing questions is affirmative, you must provide the following information as an attachment to the application: (i) the case name and court/administrative agency (including jurisdiction and venue) in which such matters were tried or are pending; (ii) the charges or claims adjudicated or alleged; and (iii) a brief explanation of the circumstances giving rise to such matters. Also, for affirmative answers to question 1-10, please attach copies of document(s) reflecting the final resolution (e.g., final judgments, verdicts, plea bargains, consent orders, administrative findings, or settlement agreements).

Note that an Applicant may refer to or attach specific provisions of a 10-K/Q or other filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC); however, the Applicant should be aware that different laws apply to disclosures to CSIT. This means that CSIT does not have the same types of materiality thresholds as the SEC. The Applicant is expected to supplement its SEC filings to ensure that all relevant matters are disclosed to CSIT, including any matters that were below the SEC's materiality threshold and any matters that may have occurred after its most recent filing.

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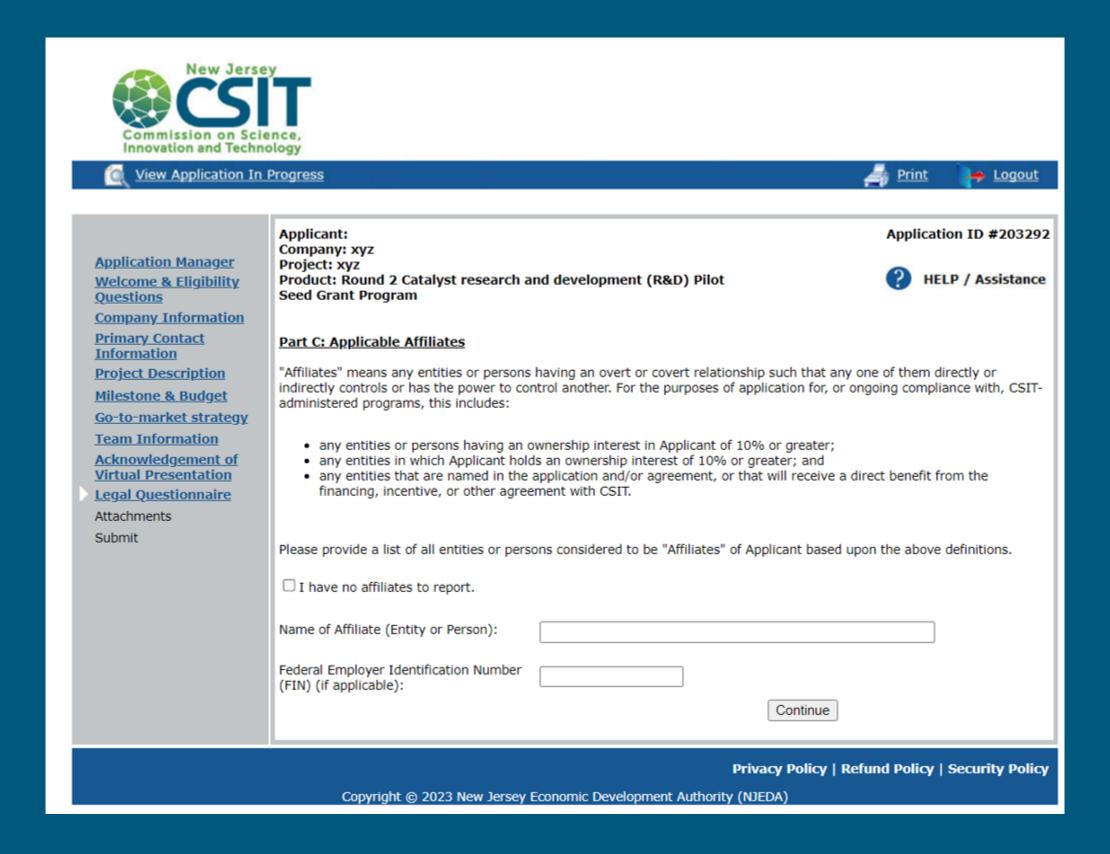
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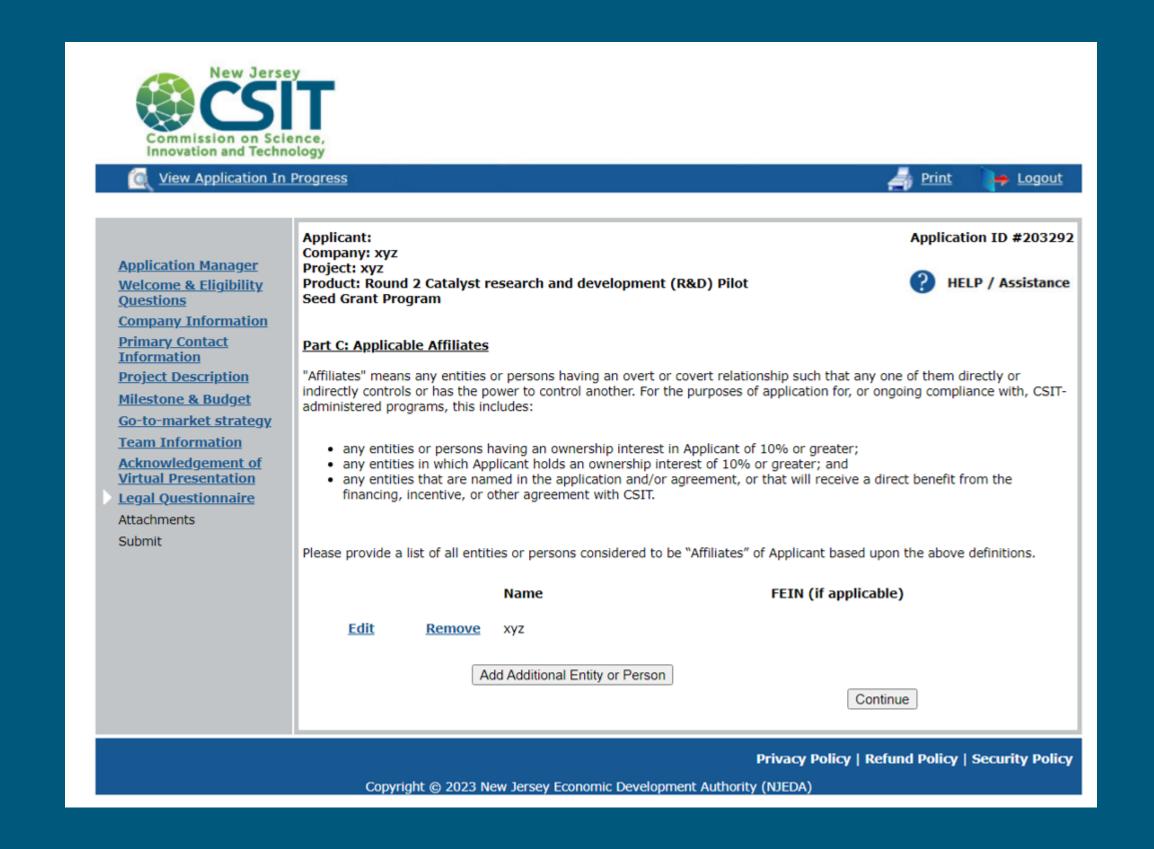
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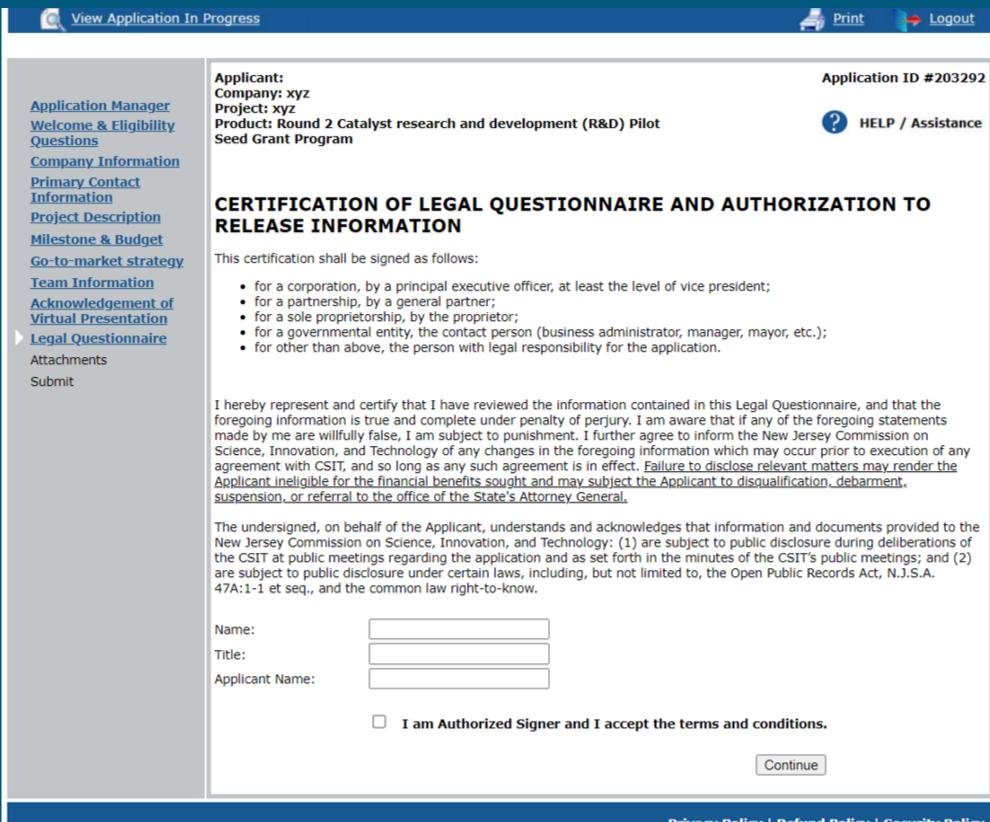
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Company: xyz Project: xyz

Product: Round 2 Catalyst research and development (R&D) Pilot Seed Grant Program



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Required Documentation

All applications to the Round 2 Catalyst Research and Development Pilot Seed Program must include the following documentation:

- a. To evidence that proof of concept has been achieved for the project. Submit one of the following:
 - · Description of the proof-of-concept results,
 - Published paper outlining results achieved,
 - Detailed description of patent application for proposed technology,
 - Successful completion of a federal SBIR/STTR grant or contract related to the project,
 - Confirmation documentation from a university tech transfer office if the project relates to technology that has been developed at a university.

b. Budget and Milestone Template (use attached excel template)

- c. Employee information as appropriate for applicable company structure and staffing (i.e., most recent New Jersey WR-30 (W2 employees) or 1099 (contractors)), Shareholder Agreement or K-1, or offer letters. Please note that if a Professional Employment Organization (PEO) is utilized, the applicant must submit confirmation of PEO-A form issued by the New Jersey Department of Labor (DOL), These confirmations are issued on an annual basis and are valid for a year. See https://www.nj.gov/labor/ea/employer-services/leasing-companies/ for additional information on PEOs.
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Please download, sign, and upload the linked Application Certification as an attachment on the next page.

The online application will enable applicants to provide an electronic Application Certification by uploading a signed PDF. However, if an applicant prefers not to provide an electronic Application Certification, the applicant may:

a. Mail a hard copy of the signed Application Certification postmarked by the application deadline to CSIT at: Commission on Science, Innovation and Technology Attn: Judith Sheft (Executive Director) 36 W State Street

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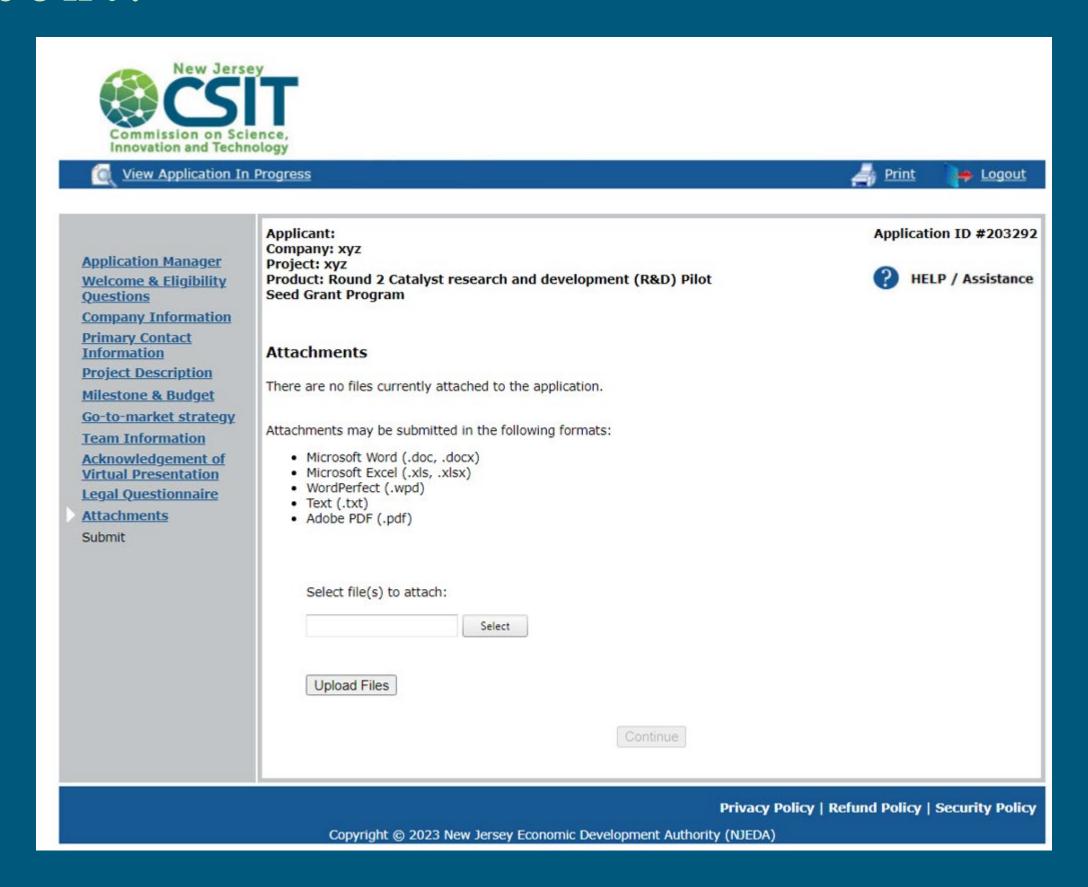
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