

Client Alert

Consortium Awarded \$30 Million for Manufacturing Pilot Program

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On August 16, the Obama administration announced both a \$30 million award that may serve as a model for future partnerships geared towards manufacturing innovation to the National Additive Manufacturing Innovation Institute (NAMII) and a "pilot" program for the Administration's National Network of Manufacturing Innovation plan to invest \$1 billion "to catalyze a national network of up to 15 manufacturing innovation institutes around the country." NAMII, which was selected in response to a Broad Agency Announcement solicitation, is a consortium including dozens of major government contractors and manufacturing firms, universities, and non-profit organizations which will "co-invest" \$40 million to develop additive manufacturing technology (a process by which products and components are manufactured more efficiently using digital models). For more information, please contact the professional(s) listed below, or your regular Crowell & Moring contact.

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