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2nd Generation Turbomachinery Technology Demonstrator

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- ◆ **Background**
 - Short schedule for Prototype Engine would not permit incorporation of new turbomachinery technology
 - Needed time to mature technology to TRL 4
 - Demonstrator Turbopump required to advance technology from TRL 4 to TRL 5/6 in time for insertion into FSD
- ◆ **Approach (All work in parallel with Prototype Engine)**
 - Define requirements
 - Perform concept definition
 - Down select most promising technology for demonstrator, TRL 4
 - Design turbopump demonstrator, fabricate hardware, and assemble TP
 - Perform hot fire testing, Turbomachinery Technology TRL 6
- ◆ **Deliverables**
 - Representative turbopump, which incorporates advanced turbomachinery technology, ready for hot fire tested
 - Hot fire test results of turbomachinery technology
 - Turbomachinery technology advanced to TRL 6, ready for FSD

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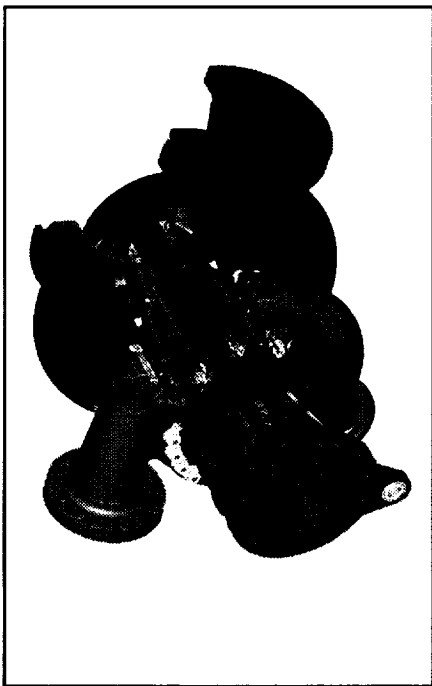
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- ◆ **State of the Art**
 - IPD Turbopumps, LOX and LH2, with Hydrostatic bearings
- ◆ **Need**
 - A turbopump demonstrator is needed to advance the development of Gen 2 turbomachinery technology
- ◆ **Relationship to 2nd Generation Goals**
 - Technology for LOX and LH2 turbomachinery will address cost, reduced weight and improved reliability
- **A partial list of potential technologies**
 - Lighter weight housing materials
 - Enhanced inducer and impeller performance
 - Enhance rotodynamic stability seal
 - Enhanced turbine performance
- **Turbomachinery technology is cross-cutting among the proposed engine concepts.**

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- ◆ **Products**
 - Incorporate Gen 2 turbomachinery technology into a turbopump demonstrator(s)
 - Advance turbomachinery technology to TRL5/6, available for FSD
- ◆ **Benefits**
 - Demonstrate turbomachinery technology which addresses improved pump performance, turbine performance, seals, materials, and bearings which address engine TMW, decreased costs and improved reliability.
- ◆ **Customers**
 - Industry Partners, DOD, and NASA
 - Technology is cross-cutting among the proposed engine concepts

- ◆ **Current State of the Art**
 - IPD Turbopumps with hydrostatic bearings
- ◆ **Approach**
 - Define the engine/turbomachinery requirements
 - Assess technology needs
 - Develop technology for incorporation into turbopump
 - Demonstrate technology in turbopump
- ◆ **Performance Metrics**
 - Reduce Turbomachinery weight
 - Improved Turbine Performance
 - Reliability Enhancement
- ◆ **Risks**
 - Testing IPD turbopump
 - Maturing necessary technology in time

