Policy on PDS Involvement in Mission Archiving Activities

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PDS shall meet its obligations as recipient of archival planetary science data by providing advice, training, review, and validation as stated in the PDS Level 1-2-3 Requirements.

PDS shall not ordinarily become directly involved in the design of archives, development of production software, or production itself, when those are the responsibilities of mission data providers.

Data providers, wishing to engage PDS personnel in design, development, or production, may negotiate with PDS for those services with the expectation that PDS will be compensated for the work.

When PDS personnel provide design, development, and/or production services, which lead to products that are submitted to PDS for archive, those personnel will not have a vote in subsequent reviews of those data.