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A Quarterly Newsletter for Small Businesses



CSMi

Profile of a Small Business



Mr. Shankar Pillai

CSMi Founder, President, and CEO

Incorporated in Washington, DC in 1994, CSMi is a minority-owned, small business, certified under the U.S. Small Business Administration's 8(a) Program through 2005. As a small disadvantaged business, the company specializes in the delivery of innovative, multi-channel, information technology and communications solutions. CSMi provides federal, state, and local government agencies; non-profit organizations and universities; and commercial clients with innovative solutions that exploit the advantages of emerging technology, while balancing the integrity and stability of existing processes and systems.

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HBCU/MI News

DoD Technical Assistance Conference

Faculty and Staff from the nation's Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU), American Indian Tribal Colleges and Universities (AITCU), Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI) and other Minority Institutions (MI) are invited to attend the next DoD Technical Assistance Conference on November 25th - 27th 2001. The conference is being hosted by the consortium of Louisiana HBCU/MIs, headed by Grambling University, at the Hyatt Regency New Orleans at the Louisiana Superdome. An enlightening schedule has been developed to provide attendees with information on funding opportunities within DoD, other federal agencies, and with several prime contractors. Exhibit tables and/or booths are available to advertise your institution's capabilities and interests in R&D among other areas.

The Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (BMDO) will be represented at the conference by Dr. Pravat Choudhury, BMDO's Small Business Development Specialist. He will discuss BMDO's HBCU/MI set-aside research program and other research opportunities in the Department of Defense. His presentation is titled "HBCU/MI's

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Recent New Contracts

On June 1, 2001, Ahmad Associates, LTC. was awarded a contract, valued at \$397,500, to provide an assessment of the BMDO FY 2000 financial statements. This contract has a two-month base period with no options and ended on August 31, 2001.

On June 1, 2001, KPMG Consulting was awarded a delivery order, valued at \$1,366,107, to provide CFO compliance support. This order had a three-month base period ending on August 30, 2001.

On June 1, 2001, Lexis-Nexis was awarded a delivery order, valued at \$12,500, to provide a Lexis Nexis Subscription. This order has a twelve-month base period with no options and ends on May 31, 2002.

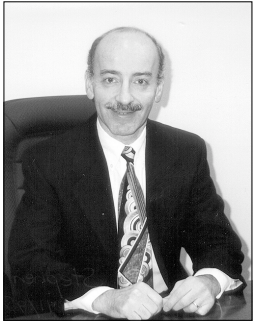
On June 11, 2001, Systematic General Corp, was awarded a delivery order, valued at \$38,975, to provide

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Director's Message



Stephen M. Moss
Director/SADBU

To aid in the growth of small businesses within the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, issued the following Small Business Policy statement in regards to the utilization of Small Businesses within the BMDO Support Services Program (BSSP).

The statement was posted on the BARRB on August 20, 2001:

“As addressed in this policy statement, “Small Business” refers to small businesses, small disadvantaged businesses, 8(a) firms, women-owned small businesses, HUBZone small businesses, and service-disabled veteran owned small businesses.

FAR Part 19 encourages GSA Users to include small businesses when available and to give award preference to small business when price and qualification factors are equal.

To foster growth of the small business sector and to achieve its small business goals and objectives, BMDO will take the following actions:

- When the incumbent contract was a small business program set-aside –
 - Screen the Agency's BPAs to identify capable small business program sources since BMDO policy is to give preference to small businesses in the ordering process
 - Limit the source list to four or more small businesses if at least four small businesses are highly qualified to fulfill the requirement

- When the incumbent contract was not a small business program set-aside –
 - Include some of the most capable small business BPA holders on the source list, if available (the number will be determined on a case-by-case basis)
 - Implement award preference to small business when price and qualifications are relatively comparable to non-small business program offerors
 - Apply evaluation criteria that includes consideration of an offeror's commitment to the BMDO's small business program goals as evidenced by inclusion of small business program team members and/or subcontractors
- * To the extent operationally feasible, award orders directly to team leaders and small business team members for credit toward the Agency's small business goals and objectives.”

BMDO's Small Business Staff requests that contractors refer to the BMDO BARBB Web site (<http://www.acq.osd.mil/bmdo/barbb/index.html>), for updates and the latest information on category I, II, and III requirements, as well as to monitor the end dates for current contracts.

BMDO's SADBU office is continually striving to provide quality assistance to those small businesses wishing to do business with BMDO. All contractors seeking information concerning the small business program should contact the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (SADBU) at (703) 697-8017.

PROCUREMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Visit the BMDO Acquisition Reporting Bulletin Board (BARBB) on the Internet
<http://www.acq.osd.mil/bmdo/barbb/barbb.htm>

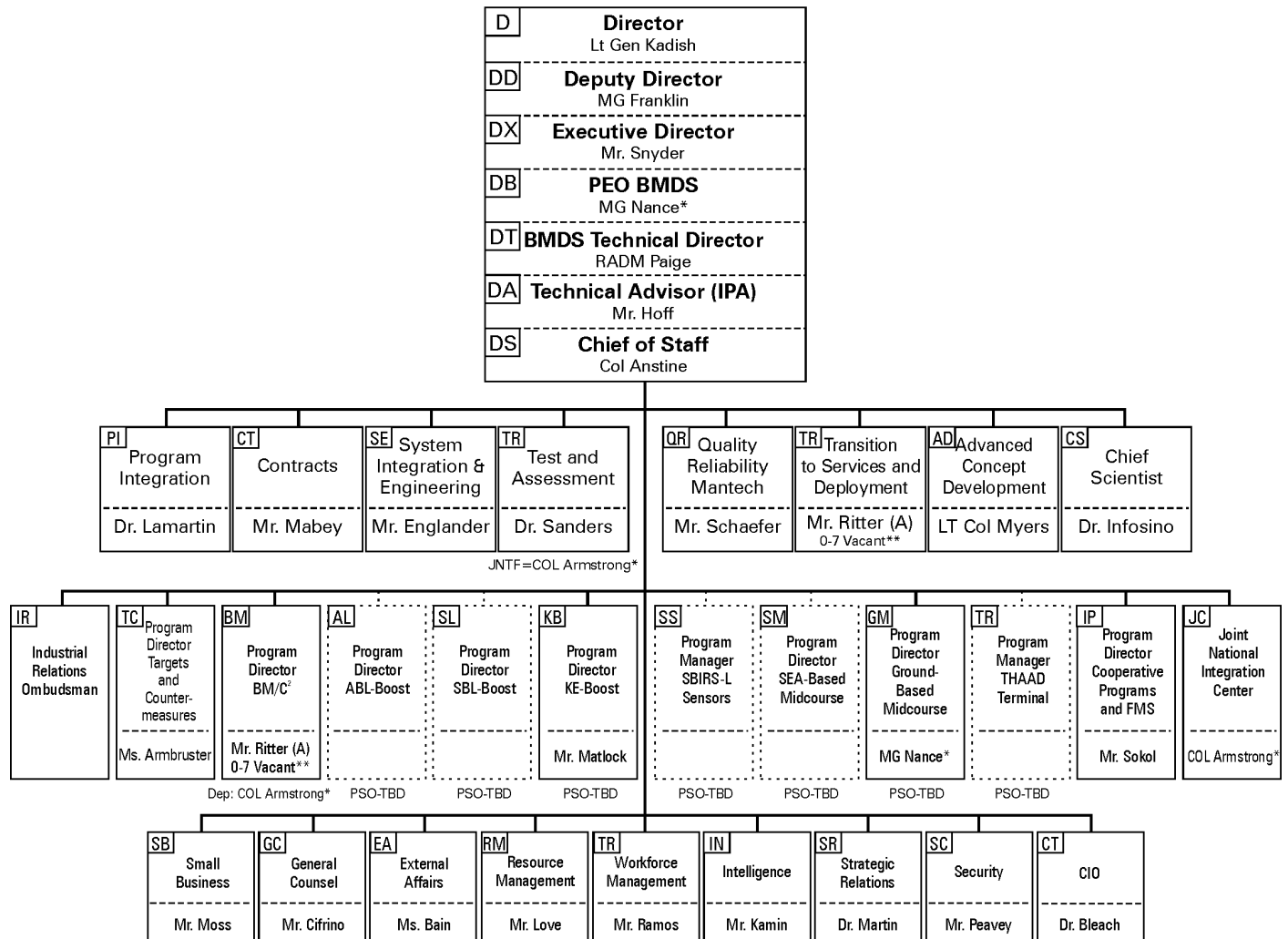
Note This

On March 16, 2000, the Director of the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, Lieutenant General Ronald T. Kadish, came before the House Appropriations Committee and the Subcommittee on Defense to present the Fiscal Year (FY) 2001 missile defense program and budget. In this statement, made to the members of the committee, General Kadish stated that BMDO had five major priority areas, with the fifth of these focusing on the reorganization

of BMDO. As we near the end of FY 2001, the reorganization of BMDO is almost complete, and a Final Organizational Chart is expected out in the near future. Please periodically check the BMDO web site, at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/bmdo/bmdolink/html/orgcht.html>, for the new Chart.

If you have any questions regarding the reorganization's possible effects on small and disadvantaged businesses, please feel free to contact the BMDO SADB Office, at (703) 697-8017.

BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE ORGANIZATION (Interim Phase I - September 7, 2001)



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PSO - Program Support Officer Reporting to PEO BMDS

= Service Programs Selected for Transition

BMDO NEWS . . . BMDO NEWS . . .

The Ballistic Missile Defense Organization's (BMDO) Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Program office received 45 Phase I proposals from 34 different companies. BMDO selected 20 (44.4%) exciting technology ideas from 18 different companies. There were 11 winning proposals from the previous awardees and 9 (45%) from new first-time winning companies, with 3 disadvantaged firms receiving

awards. (An organization's status as disadvantaged was not a factor in the selection process.) This year, BMDO's 2001 funding for STTR Phase 1 awards was \$1,303,968. The average funding request was \$68,312 – the average award was \$65,198. The following is a listing of those organizations, which received awards under this program:

Organization	Description of Award
Cerment, Inc. & Georgia Institute of Technology	Development of a Truly Lattice-Matched III-Nitride Technology
Crystal IS, Inc. & University of Wisconsin	Better GaN substrates through HVPE on bulk AlN substrates
Hexatech & North Carolina State University	Growth of AlN Crystals
Hybrid Technologies & Institute for Lasers,	Narrow-linewidth, Sol-Gel Glass/Photopolymer Holographic Photonics and Biophotonics Filter Technology
Kigre, Inc. & University of South Carolina	New Broad Band Rare-Earth-Doped Glasses For Optical Fiber Communications
Lite Weaver Technologies, Inc. &	High Performance Fiber-Optic Depolarizer Pennsylvania State University
Materials Research Institute, LLC &	Carbon Nanotubes for Electromagnetic Interference Shielding
MERS, LLC & Eastern Michigan University	Lightweight Nanocomposites for Missile Defense Applications
Microwave Technologies, Inc. & George Mason University	Compact Radio-Frequency Electron Gun
Microwave Technologies, Inc. & George Mason University	Development of a Miniature Dielectric Traveling-Wave Tube
Oxazagen, Inc. & Michigan Molecular Institute	PIBO Dielectric Film for Advanced Microelectronics Packaging
Phoenix Innivation, Inc. & Boston University	Improved SiC Materials for High Power Electronics
RJM SEMICONDUCTOR, L.L.C. & NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory	TeraHertz High-Reliability InP DHBT Technology for Millimeter-Wave Amplifiers and Ultra-High Speed Digital ICs
RST Scientific Research, Inc. & Texas A & M University	Phased array antenna for air platforms
Scientific Solutions Inc & Brown University	A Tunable Interferometric Random Optical Cross-Switch
Smart Pixel Inc. & University of Illinois at Chicago	Third Generation Infrared Focal Plane Arrays based on "HOT" HgCdTe Detectors
SVT Associates, Inc. & University of Florida	High Speed VCSEL for 1300 nm Optical Network
SVT Associates, Inc. & University of Illinois	Al(In)GaN/(In)GaN High Electron Mobility Transistors for Low-Noise and High-Power Applications
Taitech, Inc. & University of Cincinnati	Band Gap Engineering of Advanced Photodetectors via Quantum Size Effects in SiC Nanostructures
Viatronix & Boston University	Novel heterojunction diodes for High Power Electronics

For more information on BMDO's STTR Program, go to the web site at: <http://www.winbmdo.com>.

DURIP

Defense University Research Instrumentation Program (DURIP) is a multi-agency DoD program within the University Research Initiative designed to aid in the improvement of U.S. institutions of higher education capabilities to conduct research. DURIP also assists in educating scientists and engineers in areas important to national defense by providing funds for the acquisition of research equipment. DURIP funds will be used only for the acquisition of major equipment to augment current or develop

new research capabilities in support of DoD-relevant research. The next submission date for the DURIP is the 23rd of August 2001

DoD intends to award approximately \$45 million for FY2002, subject to the availability of funds. These funds will be awarded via grants made by ARO, ONR, AFOSR, and BMDO. Grants will be for the purchase of research equipment costing more than \$50,000, for items that typically cannot be purchased within the budgets of single-investigator awards. In FY2001, 242 awards totaling \$45 million were

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SBA News

Full Senate Confirms Hector Barreto Jr., as New Administrator of SBA

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Senate yesterday confirmed on a voice vote President Bush’s nomination of Hector V. Barreto Jr. as the 21st Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration. Mr. Barreto is a Hispanic businessman from Los Angeles with strong ties to national Hispanic business organizations.

Mr. Barreto, a securities broker-dealer and a vice-chairman of the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, was a co-chairman of the Bush/Cheney 2000 campaign in California. He is also the founder of Barreto Insurance and Financial Services, Inc. The firm specializes in creating comprehensive financial plans for both the business and private sectors.

“I am gratified that the Senate has approved my selection as Administrator of the SBA,” said Mr. Barreto, who will be sworn in as Administrator Thursday. “I will do my utmost to see that the SBA delivers the financing, technical and contracting assistance that America’s 25 million small businesses need, in the most efficient and effective manner possible for both our customers and for American taxpayers.”

Mr. Barreto confirmed his commitment to working with private and public partners. “Small business has always been about relationships, and it’s wonderful to know that the agency has so many strong and committed partners,” he said.

Speaking last week before the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, Mr. Barreto described the impact his family’s small business has had on his life: “It has empowered my family to achieve the American Dream. Through my national small business relationships, I have come to appreciate the power and importance of small business on a national and international level.”

He also committed himself to listening to small businesses and advocating on their behalf. “It has been my experience that if you listen to your customers, they will tell you what they need to succeed. I intend to continue to listen to our small business customers and act on their behalf.”

Mr. Barreto pledged that the SBA would:

- Listen to small businesses and work to reduce the burdens of outdated and overly cumbersome regulations;
- Work with its financial partners to improve small business access to capital through the SBA’s loan and venture capital programs;
- Provide technical assistance and guidance through its entrepreneurial development partners 24 hours a day, and
- Establish and strengthen its public and private partnerships to encourage greater contracting and business opportunities for our small businesses.

Mr. Barreto is active in both business and community organizations, serving as a vice chairman of the board of directors for the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (USHCC) and chairman of the USHCC’s Legislative Committee.

From 1997 to 1999, Mr. Barreto served as chairman of the Latin Business Association (LBA). During his term, Mr. Barreto spearheaded the creation of the Latin Business Expo. This annual event focuses on procurement opportunities, corporate exhibitions and business education, and has been heralded as the most successful Latino business function in the state of California.

Mr. Barreto has received special recognition from the U.S. Congress, the California State Senate and State Assembly, and the City of Los Angeles for his continued dedication and commitment to the Latino business community.

Mr. Barreto was awarded a Medal of Honor from the prestigious Multicultural Institute of Leadership for his work in promoting diversity and improving race relations. Hispanic Business Magazine recognized Mr. Barreto as one of 1999’s “100 Most Influential U.S. Hispanics.”

SBA Centers Offer New Software to Help Small Businesses Start or Grow

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Small Business Administration today announced that its small business clients will have access to a series of new software tools at locations nationwide to help them start or grow their businesses, thanks to a donation by the Microsoft Corporation.

Beginning in August, the SBA’s One-Stop Capital Shops (OSCSs), Business Information Centers (BICs), Women’s Business Centers (WBCs) and Tribal Business Information Centers (TBICs) will receive \$700,000 worth of cutting-edge business software applications from Microsoft.

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Small Business Profile — CSMi

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CSMi offers over six years of experience in the successful management, execution, and deployment of integrated IT and communications solutions for government clients. The list of clients includes the Department of Energy, the Securities and Exchange Commission, Department of Defense, and the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority. CSMi's large business clients includes Lockheed Martin and SAIC; and Internet ventures such as PleaseRSVP.com, ClosingQuotes.com, and MDAnywhere.com.

Revenues for the year 2001 are projected to reach \$8 million. CSMi maintains a staff of over 80 technology and consulting professionals, divided into three business units: eBusiness, Systems Engineering, and Management Consulting. CSMi's headquarters is located in Alexandria, VA, with satellite offices in Washington, DC, and Germantown, MD. Our headquarters occupies 12,000 square feet of professional office space, and serves as our primary project management center. Over 50 management analysts, conference planners, web programmers, graphics specialists, and database developers are co-located here.

Founder, President, and CEO, Mr. Shankar Pillai, established CSMi with the idea of providing federal and commercial clients with outstanding service while creating a supportive, challenging, innovative and family-friendly work environment. Mr. Pillai's mission for CSMi is to be an industry leader in the delivery of innovative, customized information technology and communications solutions through the development of a partner relationship with each customer. Mr. Pillai's professional expertise includes database design, development, and administration, engineering analysis and assessment, and strategic planning and business development, with over eight years of information technology project management experience in various business contexts including federal, state, and local government environments.

Mr. Pillai is a graduate from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a degree in Electrical Engineering. He is married and resides in Fairfax, VA, and is active in community service and local civic events.

CSMi was selected to provide database maintenance, web development, and outreach support to the BMDO Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Programs. As part of this program, CSMi will be responsible for supporting the SBIR/STTR programs in two areas: 1) database maintenance and expansion efforts and 2) office outreach support. The three-year contract from BMDO strengthens CSMi's federal government program

outreach support services and capabilities, as well as CSMi's well-recognized database expertise and web development capabilities. CSMi currently provides outreach support and coordination to the Energy Department's Office of Advanced Automotive Technologies, including the organization of the International Future Car Conference. ♦

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Research Grant Opportunities at Ballistic Missile Defense Organization (BMDO)". The presentation will give details about various research topics that have been funded in the past as well as encourage increased participation from HBCU/MI researchers in BMDO's HBCU/MI set-aside research program.

For more conference information:

DoD TAP (800) 530-5941

Fax (703) 205-7645

Web site: www.uncfsp.org/idap

Please Note: The conference has been postponed at this time. Please periodically check the web site for the rescheduled date. Once the conference has been rescheduled, a notification will be placed in the Newsletter. ♦

Recent New Contracts

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audio visual aid for SCR. This order has a three-month base period with no options and ended on September 21, 2001.

On June 13, 2001, SIGCOM, Inc. was awarded a delivery order, valued at \$134,136, to provide pictels and montage system maintenance. This order has a twelve-month base period with no options and will end on May 31, 2002.

On June 29, 2001, Evergreen Systems, Inc. was awarded a delivery order, valued at \$32,825, for the renewal of the SPT Magic Agreement. This order has a one-month base period with no options and ended on July 25, 2001.

On July 3, 2001, W.W. Grainger, Inc. was awarded a delivery order, valued at \$8,031, to provide consumables for FOB2. This order has a one-month base period with no options and ended on August 17, 2001

On July 19, 2001, Computer Systems Management, Inc. was awarded a delivery order, valued at \$1,644,901, to provide SETA support to the SBIR program. This order has a twelve-month base period with 2 option years and will end on July 1, 2004. ♦

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“This donation significantly expands the resources we have available for our BICs,

OSCSs, TBICs and WBCs, and we are delighted to be working with Microsoft to ensure that small businesses have the opportunity to use the latest in technology,” said Gail McGrath, acting associate deputy administrator for Entrepreneurial Development. “The SBA is focused on providing small businesses with the resources, training and information they need to be successful.”

The SBA’s counseling and technical assistance centers provide free on-site counseling, training courses and workshops to small business clients in areas that include business planning, marketing and sales, product expansion and exporting. The centers have resources that address a broad variety of business start-up and development needs. They also offer numerous research materials, including business and industry publications, CD-ROMs, databases, and the latest in software and hardware to assist small business owners. The new software packages are the latest additions to the list of tools that the SBA makes available to small business clients.

The Microsoft donation to the SBA includes Office XP, Publisher version 2002, FrontPage version 2002, Windows 2000 Professional, Windows 2000 Server and Small Business Server 2000. To find out more about the availability of the software, contact your local SBA center listed at www.sba.gov/services.

SBA Introduces Online Business “Gateway” to Increase Federal Contracts to Hubzone Businesses

WASHINGTON – Thanks to a new online portal installed this month on the U.S. Small Business Administration’s award-winning Web site, contracting officers government-wide now have access to a powerful search engine that instantly provides the names and capabilities of certified HUBZone small businesses.

On June 15, SBA’s HUBZone Empowerment Contracting program introduced the online business tool, officially titled the Contracting Officer’s HUBZone Gateway. The Gateway is an extension of SBA’s Pro-Net database designed to link contracting officers with HUBZone firms and the estimated \$200 billion-per-year federal contract marketplace.

Like Pro-Net, the Gateway will help the more than 3,000 small businesses certified as HUBZone companies use the database to market their capabilities to government agencies and allow contracting officers to fill contracts.

“The Gateway comes at a time when we are stepping up our efforts to become more customer service oriented,” said William Fisher, acting associate deputy administrator for government contracting and business development.

“We continue to explore ways to streamline the processes associated with the federal government’s acquisition of goods and services from small businesses. By providing federal contracting officers and small businesses with a direct link to expanded information about HUBZone businesses, we have provided another powerful marketing tool for the companies and an accessible source identification tool for federal buyers.”

Contracting officers will be able to use the Gateway’s search engine to find:

- Certified HUBZone businesses with specific qualifications;
- Certified HUBZone businesses in a specific geographical location; and
- Non-manufacturers (retail and resellers) that are available for contracts at or below \$25,000, a special area of consideration for HUBZone companies.

The HUBZone Gateway piggybacks on the debut this spring of the revamped online HUBZone application. It features a streamlined presentation with pop-up menus directing applicants to an online guide to the actual regulations. Another part of the system allows computer user who has submitted an application to check its status at any time during the review process.

Both the HUBZone Gateway and the revised application are available at www.sba.gov/hubzone.

The HUBZone Gateway is another in a series of online tools and specialized assistance offered to federal contracting officers who are pivotal to the program’s success.

Besides the Gateway, the SBA is currently hosting a year-long schedule of HUBZone procurement training sessions. Federal buyers can learn about the program’s development, and tips for incorporating the program into a daily purchase routine. Twelve sessions have been

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completed, with at least seven more scheduled around the country. The SBA also has conducted, at the request of specific agencies and procurement training seminars, a number of one and two hour sessions. This is supplemented by a procurement presentation easily available on the program's Web site.

The HUBZone Empowerment Contracting program refers to Historically Underutilized Business Zones and was created in 1997 as a result of legislation sponsored by Senator Christopher 'Kit' Bond, the ranking member of the Senate Small Business Committee. The federal government has a two percent goal of channeling federal contracts through the HUBZone program, which equates to about \$4 billion in fiscal 2001.

For a small business to be HUBZone certified, its principal office must be located in a HUBZone and at least 35 percent of

its employees must reside in one of these specially designated areas. Additionally, the firm must be owned and controlled by U.S. citizens, a community development company or Indian tribe.

Participants in the program can receive contracts through competition limited to qualified HUBZone firms, or on a sole-source basis. HUBZone firms are also given a price preference in bidding during full and open competition over non-HUBZone large firms.

Nationally, HUBZones are located in more than 7,000 urban census tracts, in 900 rural counties and on every federally recognized Native American reservation.

NOTE: For more information regarding the HUBZone Program, go to <https://eweb1.sba.gov/hubzone/internet/>. If you wish to discover if your business is located within a HUBZone, click the "Are You In A HUBZone?" link. ♦

Legislation/Regulation Update

Interim Rule on Utilization of Indian Organizations and Indian-Owned Economic Enterprises (DFARS Case 2000-D024)

DoD has issued an interim rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to implement Section 8022 of the DoD Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2001. Section 8022 provides for incentive payments to DoD contractors, and subcontractors at any tier, which use Indian organizations and Indian-owned economic enterprises as subcontractors.

Comments were to be submitted by September 11, 2001; interested parties may view public comments on the World Wide Web at <http://emissary.acq.osd.mil/dar/dfars.nsf>.

The Federal Register notice for this rule is available at: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/dars/fedregs/2000d024i.txt>.

Interim Rule on the DoD Pilot Mentor-Protege Program (DFARS Case 2001-D006)

DoD has issued an interim rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to implement Section 807 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001. Section 807 adds women-owned small businesses to the types of concerns that may participate as protege firms in the DoD Pilot Mentor-Protege Program.

Comments were to be submitted by September 11, 2001; interested parties may view public comments on the World Wide Web at <http://emissary.acq.osd.mil/dar/dfars.nsf>.

The Federal Register notice for this rule is available at: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/dars/fedregs/2001d006i.txt>.

Proposed Rule: Preference for Local 8(a) Contractors-Base Closure or Realignment (DFARS Case 2001-D007)

DoD is proposing to amend the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to clarify policy pertaining to preferences for local businesses in acquisitions that support a base closure or realignment. The rule clarifies that both competitive and noncompetitive acquisitions under the Section 8(a) Program are permitted if an 8(a) contractor is located in the vicinity of the base to be closed or realigned.

Respondents may submit comments, by November 13, 2001, on the proposed rule directly on the World Wide Web at <http://emissary.acq.osd.mil/dar/dfars.nsf/pubcomm>, or e-mail comments to: dfars@acq.osd.mil. (Please cite DFARS Case 2001-D007 in the subject line of e-mailed comments). Respondents that cannot submit comments using either of the above methods may submit comments to:

Defense Acquisition Regulations Council,
Attn: Ms. Angelena Moy,
OUSD(AT&L)DP(DAR), IMD 3C132,
3062 Defense Pentagon,
Washington, DC 20301-3062
Fax: (703) 602-0350.

The Federal Register notice for this rule is available at: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/dars/pubcmnts/2001d007p.txt>.

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made. Awards ranged from \$50,000 to \$1,000,000, averaging \$186,000.

The next submission date for the MURI is the 24th of October 2001. To check for updates and/or find out more about this program, you are encouraged to go to the following web site: http://www.onr.navy.mil/sci_tech/special/onrpgafm.htm.

DEPSCoR

Department of Defense Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (DEPSCoR), which falls under the University Research Initiative (URI) was created in response to Congressional requirements to stimulate competitive research in states that have not traditionally been recipients of a large amount of Federal research awards. DEPSCoR's objectives are to:

1. Enhance the capabilities of institutions of higher education in eligible States to develop, plan, and execute science and engineering research that is competitive under the peer-review systems used for awarding Federal research assistance; and

2. Increase the probability of long-term growth in the competitively awarded financial assistance that universities in eligible States receive from the Federal Government for science and engineering research.

Consistent with these long-term objectives of building research infrastructure, the DoD intends to competitively make, and fund from fiscal year 2002 appropriations, multiyear awards for research and for associated graduate education of scientists and engineers in areas important to national defense.

All proposals from these institutions must be submitted via the DEPSCoR State Committee, otherwise, they will be rejected. Only proposals for research in technical areas identified as being of interest to ONR, or other areas important to national defense, will be considered. The next submission date for the DEPSCoR is September 27, 2001

To check for updates on the next submission date or find out more about this program, you are encouraged to go to the following web site: http://www.onr.navy.mil/sci_tech/special/onrpgajb.htm.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPT 22-26, 2001

SBA's MED Week

Omni Shoreham Hotel
Washington, D.C.

For more information go to:

Web site: www.medweek.gov

1-877-MED WEEK (1-877-633-9335)

gimarshall@mbda.gov.

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Naval Surface Warfare Center- Dahlgren Division

Dahlgren, VA

Web site: http://www.ncsievents.com/sched/promo/nswc_dahlgren_promo.html

OCT 23-26, 2001

National SBIR Fall Conference

Rapid City, South Dakota

For more information go to:

Web site: <http://www.zyn.com/sbir/>

NOV 13-15, 2001

Small Business Opportunity Fair & Conference

Abingdon, Virginia

For more information go to:

Web site: <http://www.sw.cc.va.us/ptac2/pacnew.htm>

PLEASE NOTE:

**The following conferences have been cancelled
due to security reasons.**

NOV 26-27

DoD HBCU/MI Technical Assistance Conference

DEC 3-7, 2001

DoD Small Business Training Conference

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Small Business Database Update

The BMDO Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (SADBU) Office maintains a database, which is regularly used as a source to match an organization's capabilities with the technical requirements of BMDO. For companies not currently listed in our database, we ask that you contact the SADBU Office and request a small business packet containing useful information about doing business with BMDO and the latest contracting opportunities. This packet can be obtained by contacting Stephen Moss, Director of the SADBU Office, at stephen.moss@bmdo.osd.mil or Twanda McNair at twanda.mcnair@bmdo.osd.mil. Once your organization has reviewed the material, please submit a completed database form along with you capabilities packet.

The SADBU Office requests that all small businesses presently entered in the database notify them about any organizational changes, so that BMDO will continue to maintain an accurate profile of each organization's capabilities. This will also ensure the timely delivery of the quarterly notification of issuance of *The SADBU Update*, our newsletter. If your business needs to update ANY information, please go to the BMDO SADBU Internet home page at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/bmdo/bmdolink/html/sadbu.html> to download a blank database form.

Please note that a complete update of the BMDO SADBU Database is in progress. We are strongly urging those organizations that have received update requests to return them as soon as possible. ♦

WWW Internet News

Web Site Highlight

The Small Business Administrations had added a new section to their website. This section is dedicated to HUBZones. Contained in this website are various contracting opportunities for HUBZone organizations, applications for the HUBZone program, information to help you ascertain whether you are located within a HUBZone. Etc. For more information regarding the HUBZone Program, go to <https://eweb1.sba.gov/hubzone/internet/>.

Other Useful Web Sites:

- SCORE — the Service Corps of Retired Executives — is a nonprofit organization, which provides small business counseling and training under a grant from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). To access this site go to - www.score.org
- The SBA site with the State Tax Homepages: <http://www.sba.gov/hotlist/statetaxhomepages.html>
- The BMDO home page: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/bmdo/>
- The BMDO Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization home page: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/bmdo/bmdolink/html/sadbu.html>
- The BMDO SBIR/STTR Program home page: <http://www.winbmdo.com/>
- The BMDO Acquisition Reporting Bulletin Board: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/bmdo/barbb/barbb.htm>
- The BMDO Chief Information Officer's home page: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/bmdo/CIOMOD/>
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MURI

Multidisciplinary Research Program of the University Research Initiative (MURI) awards are made in research topics specified by the participating defense agencies each year that the program is in force. These topics change each year. The Department of Defense expects to make awards addressing nineteen specific research topics in areas of strategic importance to DoD, subject to the availability of appropriations. All awards are based on merit competition, and are typically for a period of three years (funded incrementally or as options) with a possible two-year addition as options to bring the total award to five-years. The funding level ranges, commensurate with the fields and breadth of research, from half a million to approximately a million dollars per year. The next submission date for the MURI is the 24th of October 2001.

To view access the complete announcement or find out more about this program, you are encouraged to go to the following web site: http://www.onr.navy.mil/sci_tech/special/muri2002/. ♦

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