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Message From the Director Lee Rosenberg

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and has well recovered from the revelry of the season. As you are well aware, the new year brings much in the way of change. We have a new administration and MDA will be embarking upon a new direction with regard to how we will obtain our advisory and assistance services into the future under our Missile Defense Agency Engineering Support Services (MiDAESS) Program. As for the former, well, no one can predict now what changes will occur, but change is inevitable in our

line of work. What I can say is that MDA continues to enjoy broad bipartisan support in Congress and the threats are not taking a vacation from increasing their capabilities. With regard to the MiDAESS Program, the revised draft Request for Proposals (RFPs) should be out by the time this newsletter goes out.

Many of you attended the MiDAESS Industry Day in Huntsville in December and gained a lot of knowledge about the opportunities that are available under the program. You can see all the briefings that took place by going to FedBizOpps and searching using MiDAESS as a keyword search. I'd like to point out two very important themes from that Industry Day. First, Organizational Conflict of Interest or OCI is a big deal. Across the Department of Defense in general, and MDA specifically, there has been a great push to look at OCI closely and insure it is eliminated or, at the very least, mitigated. Based on several recent Government Accountability Office (GAO) cases, what can be mitigated has tightened up appreciably. For MiDAESS, OCI will have an impact on some businesses. MDA's MiDAESS OCI policy is posted on the FedBizOpps and I highly encourage you to read it thoroughly. Notwithstanding the policy, in the final analysis, OCI is often situation specific to an individual business concern. MDA offers interested businesses the opportunity to schedule an appointment with our legal counsel and contracting folks to review their individual situations and assist in identifying possible OCI issues and ways to mitigate those issues sufficiently in order to be a viable competitor for the MiDAESS work. You can schedule an appointment by sending an email to MiDAESS@mda.mil. It's better to know going in that you have addressed possible OCI issues than to waste a lot of B&P money and find out you can't compete.

The second theme that came out very clearly during the recent MiDAESS Industry Day was how important small businesses are to the industrial base of MDA. Many people only think of the industrial base in terms of manufacturing capability, but MDA recognizes that we rely on our support contractor teammates for so much of what we do in the Agency. Their knowledge, skills and abilities, are a critical part of our industrial base as well as those small businesses that work with our large industry partners who design, build, field and maintain our Ballistic Missile Defense System (BMDS). Therefore, the vitality of the small business community is critical to our success. This message was clearly articulated by the MDA Director, Lieutenant General Patrick O'Reilly, in his address to the MiDAESS Industry Day audience. As a result of this recognition of the importance of small businesses to MDA's industrial base, General O'Reilly has instituted a number of actions to enhance small business participation in the development and management of the BMDS. I'd like to highlight a couple. First, if you attended the last Industry Day, you saw there was a significant portion of the MiDAESS Program that will be set aside for small businesses. This is due, in part, to the great responses we received to the request for information we issued in September that sought out small business capability in the various MiDAESS Capability Groupings. Because of the responses and our evaluation of them, more work was moved from the full and open RFP to the Small Business Set-

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MDA Successfully Completes Ground Test for Data Collection

The Missile Defense Agency (MDA) announced the successful execution of Flight Support Ground Test 03b (GTF-03b). The GTF-03b test event was a path-finding System-level Post-Flight Reconstruction (SPFR) of the Flight Test Other (FTX)-03 Flight Test to provide data in support of the validation of Ballistic Missile Defense System (BMDS) models and simulations.

“Ground tests play a vital role in the development of new technologies for missile defense by providing... detailed information about emerging hardware and software system functionality,”

The test was conducted during the week of December 8-12, 2008, from the MDA Combined Test Force Ground Test Center located at the Missile Defense Integration and Operations Center in Colorado Springs,

Colorado. The test used the MDA Missile Defense System Exerciser (MDSE) to connect and control BMDS Hardware-in-the-Loop (HWIL) Laboratories located across the United States to emulate the functionality resident in BMDS systems that participated in FTX-03.

The HWIL Laboratories participating in the event included the Command, Control, Battle Management and Communications, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense, Moorestown, New Jersey; Prime Consolidated Integration Laboratory -2 (PCIL-2) Ground-Based Midcourse Defense, Huntsville, Alabama; Space-Based Infrared System, Azusa, California; AN/TPY-2 Radar, Woburn, Massachusetts; and the Tactical Emulation Communication Systems San Diego, California. Ballistic Missile Defense Operational Community participants included the BMDS Operational Test Agency.

Ground tests play a vital role in the development of new technologies for missile defense by providing program officials with detailed information about emerging hardware and software system functionality, while reducing the cost and schedule demands that would be required to provide the same information through an extensive flight test program. The ground tests enable actual flight test data to be reconstructed and injected into geographically distributed HWIL representations of BMDS sensors and weapon systems. They also support development and validation of BMDS simulations for component weapon and sensor performance, communications, interfaces, and interoperability, as well as threat (target) and environment. In this test, GTF-03b provided a demonstration of the ability to conduct a System-level Post-flight Test Reconstruction and collect the required information to provide data comparison of the simulation performance with the performance of the system interactions of FTX-03 components under test.

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New MDA Credit Mentor Protégé Agreement between Miltec and Five Stones Research Corporation

On December 17, 2008 a Mentor Protégé Agreement between Miltec and Five Stones Research Corporation (5SRC) was approved by the Defense Contracting Management Agency (DCMA). Under the Mentor-Protégé Program, Miltec (Mentor) will receive small business credits for their participation within a Credit-Only Mentor Protégé agreement with 5SRC (Protégé). This agreement marks each company's first time participating in the Mentor-Protégé Program.

Miltec is a Ducommun Company with headquarters located in Huntsville, Alabama. As a worldwide leader in systems engineering technologies, Miltec provides extensive in-house engineering capabilities in all applicable areas related to defense/aerospace systems. These areas include, but are not limited to: systems, aerodynamics, propulsion, guidance-navigation-and control (GNC), lethality/warheads, simulation, avionics, structures, software, IMUs, seeker/sensors, and signal processing.

Five Stones Research Corporation (5SRC) is an 8(a), Woman-Owned, Native American, Emerging Small Disadvantaged Business headquartered in Huntsville, Alabama. Founded in 2006, the company has remarkable corporate, and personnel experienced in delivering multidisciplinary, comprehensive solutions to government and industry partners in a global environment.

Having been a small business, Miltec deeply understands the needs and challenges small businesses face. The Miltec/5SRC Mentor-Protégé Agreement is three years in length and reinforces the companies' long-term partnership. Miltec has committed to assist 5SRC in several key aspects of small business development, which will solidify strong foundational process, practice, capitalization, and growth. Both companies are eager to expand innovative technologies, establish 5SRC as a prime contractor and cultivate joint business opportunities. The Miltec-5SRC Mentor-Protégé team offers MDA low-risk, cost effective solutions through the combining of resources, stability, and experience of a large, established business (Miltec/mentor) with the innovation, focus, and energy of a small, emerging, disadvantaged business (5SRC/protégé).

For more information regarding the MDA Mentor Protégé Program, please contact Mr. Chris Evans or Ms. Jennifer Pigott at 256-955-4828.

Small Businesses Respond to Call for Nominations of Regulations Needing Review and Reform

Second Year of Advocacy's r3 Initiative Draws Strong Response

Small business owners and their representatives have nominated 38 existing regulatory requirements as candidates for review and reform (http://www.sba.gov/advo/r3/nominations01_09.pdf). The nominations came in response to the second year of the Office of Advocacy's long-term Regulatory Review and Reform (r3) initiative.

The nominations include recommendations to review and reform rules from the Internal Revenue Service, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Labor, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, and the Small Business Administration. Several of this year's r3 nominators also submitted nominations in 2007.

"We are pleased with the small business community's strong response to our second call for nominations of existing rules in need of review and reform," said Shawne McGibbon, Acting Chief Counsel for Advocacy. "The nominations show that small business owners have thought seriously about the burdens they face and have considered ways to improve the situation."

In 2009, Advocacy will add two nominations to the current Top 10 list, replacing two rules already reviewed or reformed by federal agencies. Advocacy will transmit the 2009 Top 10 list to agencies in the spring and will work to ensure that the listed rules are reviewed or reformed.

In order to track agency progress, the recommended reforms will be posted on Advocacy's website and an update on the status of reforms will be published twice a year. Advocacy encourages small businesses and their representatives to follow the progress of the reforms and to comment to the Agencies.

Two of the 2008 Top 10 rules were reviewed and reformed during the past year. In October, EPA reformed the definition of "solid waste," encouraging recycling rather than disposal of certain spent materials. And in December, the FAA finalized its Special Flight Rules Area rule for the Washington, D.C. area. The final rule creates a smaller restricted airspace than was originally imposed, addressing many of the economic concerns raised by small businesses.

Find our more about the r3 initiative and agency progress in reviewing and reforming the Top 10 rules by visiting www.sba.gov/advo/r3.

Message From the Director, cont.

Aside RFP. Also, small business utilization will be an important evaluation factor on all task orders within the MiDAESS program. Second, General O'Reilly has mandated that every award fee plan on MDA contracts will have small business utilization as criteria. As such, all our large systems prime contracts will be tracked and reported on with respect

to their utilization of small businesses. Since award fee performance garners a lot of attention from the senior management of these major corporations, we expect to see more efforts from our contractors' program offices to seek out more small businesses with whom to do business.

In summary, the future for small businesses doing business with the Agency has never

Successful Rocket Motor Test of MDA's Newest Target

The Missile Defense Agency successfully conducted a static fire test of the propulsion system for its new strategic target. The two-stage launch vehicle, or LV-2, is part of the Agency's Flexible Target Family and will be used to test the Ballistic Missile Defense System later this year. As a cost reduction initiative, the Agency integrated former Navy Trident Missile C4 rocket motors into its new LV-2 design.

The test was conducted on January 22, 2009, at China Lake Naval Warfare Center in Ridgecrest, Calif. The first C4 rocket motor static test was conducted almost 26 years ago, and this was the first static test of a C4 motor since 1996. The C4 rocket motor was retired from U.S. Navy operational service in 2005.

The Flexible Target Family (FTF), developed by prime contractor Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company, is composed of targets that emulate various degrees of ballistic missile threats with a broad range of performance characteristics and features in order to present target behaviors that can be tailored to test multiple Ballistic Missile Defense System capabilities. The two-stage intermediate/long-range target (LV-2) uses Trident C4 Stage 1 and Stage 2 motors for the required trajectories, accommodating the desired capability for heavier payloads, longer ranges distances, higher velocities and variable launch capabilities.

The LV2 first flight is planned for late Spring during a planned missile defense flight test.

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been brighter. I encourage you to look at all opportunities available both as a prime and subcontractor to assist us in developing and fielding the BMDS for our warfighters' use. MDA is engaged in a vital mission of protection for our nation, our deployed forces and our friends and allies and there are opportunities for you to be a part of that mission.

Missile Defense Flight Test Results in Successful Intercept

By MDA News Release – The Shield



A Ground-Based Interceptor is shown shortly after liftoff from Vandenberg AFB, California, on December 5, 2008. The launch, designated FTG-05, was a test of the Ground-based Midcourse Defense element of the Ballistic Missile Defense System. The missile successfully intercepted a long-range target launched from Kodiak, Alaska several minutes earlier.

The Missile Defense Agency announced that it has completed an important exercise and flight test involving a successful intercept by a ground-based interceptor missile designed to protect the United States against a limited long-range ballistic missile attack. The flight test results will help to further refine the performance of numerous Ballistic Missile Defense System (BMDS) elements able to provide

a defense against the type of long-range ballistic missile that could be used to attack the nation with a weapon of mass destruction.

For this exercise, a threat-representative target missile was launched from Kodiak, Alaska at 3:04 p.m. (EST). This long-range ballistic target was tracked by several land- and sea-based radars, which sent targeting information to the interceptor missile. At 3:23 p.m. (EST), the Ground-Based Interceptor was launched from the Ronald W. Reagan Missile Defense Site, located at Vandenberg Air Force Base, California. The interceptor's exoatmospheric kill vehicle was carried into the target's predicted trajectory in space, maneuvered to the target, performed discrimination, and intercepted the threat warhead.

This was the first time an operational crew located at the alternate fire control center at Ft. Greely, Alaska remotely launched the interceptor from Vandenberg Air Force Base. In previous interceptor launches from Vandenberg, military crews at the fire control center at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado remotely launched the interceptor.

The target was successfully tracked by a transportable AN/TPY-2 radar located in Juneau, Alaska, a U.S. Navy Aegis BMD ship with SPY-1 radar, the Upgraded Early Warning Radar at Beale Air Force Base, California, and the Sea-Based X-band radar. Each sensor sent information to the fire control system, which integrated the data together to provide the most accurate target trajectory for the interceptor.

The interceptor's exoatmospheric kill vehicle is the component that collides directly with a target warhead in space to perform a "hit to kill" intercept using only the force of the collision to totally destroy the target warhead.

Initial indications are that all components performed as designed. Program officials will evaluate system performance based upon telemetry and other data obtained during the test.

This was the 37th successful hit-to-kill intercept out of 47 attempts against missiles of all ranges since 2001. Operational Ground-Based Interceptors are currently deployed at Ft. Greely, Alaska, and Vandenberg Air Force Base, protecting the nation, our friends, and allies against ballistic missile attack.

MiDAESS Information!

Presentations are now available from the MDA MiDAESS Industry Day held on December 19, 2008. For more information, please visit the following website address:

https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=37d5b97ac79d1f8fe8a03d9655c8c468&tab=core&_cview=1

Northrop Grumman Begins Testing 'Cold-Launch' System That Makes Kinetic Energy Interceptors Mobile, Global, Flexible

Reprinted from http://www.irconnect.com/noc/press/pages/news_releases.html?d=157160

The Kinetic Energy Interceptors (KEI) industry team led by Northrop Grumman Corporation has begun testing the cold-launch system that will be essential or mobile, global and flexible missile defense.

A key part of this system -- the solid propellant gas generator -- was successfully tested Dec. 18 at Alliant Techsystems facility in Elkton, Md. ATK supplies the gas generator, and Raytheon Company participated as the team's lead for interceptor development.

"The gas generator provides the energy needed for steam- or gas-launched missiles that will give KEI a land-based defensive capability that could be transitioned easily to sea-based platforms," noted Anthony Spehar, vice president and KEI program manager for Northrop Grumman's Space Technology sector. "The test measured chamber pressure, temperature and propellant burn duration, all of which were within expectations."

Northrop Grumman is developing the cold-launch system for KEI based on those it has supplied for U.S. Navy submarines since the 1950s as well as those used on silo-based Peacekeeper intercontinental ballistic missiles. That work is underway at company facilities in Sunnyvale, Calif.

"Eject or cold launch technology is a proven approach used on Navy submarines for many years," Spehar noted. "Using this very safe technology, we can launch large or highly energetic

missiles, such as KEI, because only a small amount of propellant is needed to eject the interceptor compared with igniting the first stage rocket motor."

Featuring the U.S. Missile Defense Agency's newest high-acceleration booster, KEI's launch system is designed to eject an interceptor about 200 feet in the air before the first stage rocket motor ignites. For KEI, about 70 pounds of propellant is ignited in the gas generator to eject the approximate 25,000-pound missile.

During the next several weeks, data will be analyzed and will be used to validate design, performance and analytical models. Two additional gas generator tests are planned at different temperatures within the upcoming months, followed by simulated breach assembly tests in 2009, which introduces a steam coolant system. Two simulated missile eject test demonstrations are planned for 2010.

KEI is designed to be a globally deployable, mobile missile defense system. The production system will feature state of the art components: a highly maneuverable kill vehicle carried by a very fast acceleration/maneuverable missile that is cold launched from a mobile platform and guided by a unique new sensor fusing and fire control capability. This integrated weapon system provides a persistent (24/7), all weather capability to destroy intermediate and intercontinental ballistic missiles in their boost to midcourse phases of flight.

Lee Rosenberg Visits Local High School to Say Thanks to Air Force J.R.O.T.C. Students

Leah Garton, MDA Shield

On December 5th, Mr. Lee Rosenberg, Director of the MDA Office of Small Business Programs, visited Butler High School in Huntsville, AL to present Air Force J.R.O.T.C. cadets with a Certificate of Appreciation for their participation in the 9th Annual MDA Small Business Conference, which took place this past summer.

Mr. Rosenberg was in attendance at the AFJROTC annual Pass In Review and Change of Command Ceremony to present the awards. He presented each student that had participated in MDA's Small Business Conference with a certificate as well as a CD of the agency's MDA Worldwide video. Mr. Rosenberg thanked the students for their support and participation stating that their efforts at the Small Business Conference were greatly appreciated by the Agency.

The Butler High School J.R.O.T.C. posted and retrieved the colors during the 9th Annual MDA Small Business Day Conference held July 20 – 21, 2008 at the Von Braun Center in Huntsville, AL.



O'Reilly Speaks at the MiDAESS Industry Days in Huntsville

Leah Garton, MDA Shield



LTG Patrick J. O'Reilly, MDA Director, speaks to a crowd of industry leaders at the MiDAESS Industry Days in Huntsville, AL (Photograph by Henry Norton)

"MiDAESS is an initiative I believe in extensively..." said LTG Patrick J. O'Reilly while speaking at the Missile Defense Agency Engineering & Support Services (MiDAESS) Industry Days in Huntsville.

The MiDAESS approach is not location centric as MDA is a national program. According to O'Reilly, "We are a national program and we require national support."

"Our core competency at Missile Defense Agency is research, development, test evaluation, and manufacturing of products in the missile defense system and how the integration of all that fits together," said O'Reilly.

Over 43% of MDA industry activity is in the category of small businesses. "The health and status of the small businesses is critical to the Missile Defense Agency's mission." In closing, LTG O'Reilly stated that the agency will continue to support small businesses.

The primary source of information on MiDAESS is through the Federal Business Opportunities (FedBizOpps) website: <http://www.fedbizopps.gov>.

For further questions about MiDAESS, email: MiDAESS@mda.mil

"The health and status of the small businesses is critical to the Missile Defense Agency's mission."

The MiDAESS Industry Days were held on December 18th – 19th at Huntsville's Von Braun Center. The

purpose of the event was to provide information to industry leaders about changes in the way MDA does business with companies who are interested in providing support services for the agency. According to LTG O'Reilly, support services can include anything from clerical work to engineering.

MiDAESS will create a more efficient and effective functional alignment of contractor support enterprise-wide and will reduce the agency's number of contracts from around 400 to about 50.

MDA OSBP Welcomes New Team Members!

Christopher Evans – Specialty Programs Manager

Mr. Christopher Evans began his government career in 1989 as an Army Material Command (AMC) Intern in Contracts and Acquisition. He spent over 16 years at the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command (AMCOM) where he served as a Contract Specialist and Procurement Analyst. Immediately prior to joining the MDA OSBP Team as the Specialty Programs Manager, Mr. Evans was employed by the U.S. Army Space & Missile Defense Command (SMDC) as a Procurement Analyst, Contracting Officer and finally, the Program Manager of the Mentor-Protégé Program.

Christopher holds a Level III Certification in Contracting and completed the Army Management Staff College – Sustaining Base Leadership and Management Program in 2005. Mr. Evans earned a Bachelor's Degree in Logistics & Procurement from Alabama A&M University and an M.B.A from Nova Southeastern University, in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

Jerrold Sullivan – Outreach Program Manager

Mr. Jerrold Sullivan assumed the position of MDA Office of Small Business Programs Outreach Manager on 18 January 2009. Prior to this position he served as the MDA Deputy SBIR/STTR Program Manager from June 2007 – January 2009.

From March 2006 – May 2007, he also served MDA as the Executive Officer to the Program Director for the Command and Control, Battle Management, Communications Directorate, Missile Defense Agency, Washington, D.C., Preceding his move to MDA in September 2004, he served as a Management Analyst for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Office of the Inspector General in Bethesda, Maryland. Mr. Sullivan has 20 Years of military service in the United States Air Force and 5 years of Government service. He has earned a Level III certification in Life Cycle Logistics and Level II Certification in Program Management from the Defense Acquisition University, a Bachelor of Science degree in Professional Aeronautics from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach Florida, and a dual Master's Degree in Management Science and Business Administration from the University of Maryland, University College.

Kim Starks Mathews – PbSi Outreach Specialist

Kim Starks Mathews serves as the Outreach Specialist for the MDA Small Business Outreach Program. Prior to coming to MDA, Kim worked as a Logistician for seven years with QinetiQ North America, formerly Westar Aerospace and Defense Group. Kim holds a Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Management from Oakwood College.

Websites of Interest

Missile Defense Agency (MDA)

www.mda.mil/mdalink/html/mdalink.html

Electronic Subcontracting Reporting System – (eSRS)

www.esrs.gov

MDA Office of Small Business Programs

www.mda.mil/smallbusiness

Fed Biz Opps – (MiDAESS)

www.fbo.gov

MDA Technology Applications Program (Technology Transfer)

www.mdatechnology.net

U.S. Senate Committee on Small Business & Entrepreneurship

www.sbc.senate.gov/democrat/legislation



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Did You Know...

In keeping with FAR 19.7 entitled The Small Business Subcontracting Program, Federal prime contractors shall submit a subcontracting plan, which provides for maximum opportunity for small business participation.

FAR 19.7 also requires contracts where the dollar value exceeds \$550,000 (\$1 million for construction) and where the contracting officer determines that subcontracting possibilities exist, that the prime contractor selected for the award shall provide an acceptable subcontracting plan or be considered ineligible for the contract.

As further indicated in the FAR, a small business subcontracting plan must clearly state the estimated dollar amount of business the prime contractor expects to award to small business contractors. Subsequently, prime contractors are required by law to annually report to government agencies the dollar amount they successfully subcontracted to small businesses under their previously submitted plans.

The symbiosis of prime contractors and small businesses is a necessity for successful government contracts. Prime contractors often seek out small businesses through various mechanisms including small business associations, trade shows, CCR or other agency databases and repositories.

Concurrently, small businesses should also communicate with prime contractors directly in order to inform them of their small business status (SDB, WOSB, SDVOSB, VOSB, HUBZone, 8(a), HBCU/MI), requisite skills and specialized experience.

Likewise, small businesses can also make direct contact with government agencies to notify them of their capabilities and availability for subcontracting opportunities.



The solicitation of subcontracts from prime contractors should be a major component of the government marketing plan of any small business. The prevailing goal of small businesses should be to garner enough specialized experience to one day become a prime contractor on major acquisitions.

Successful subcontracting is a win-win-win situation for the government, prime contractors and the small business community!

Small Business Legislative Updates

2009 Calendar of Events

This section of our newsletter is dedicated to current and upcoming legislation affecting the small business community.

H.R. 440

Title: To provide small businesses certain protections from litigation excesses.

Sponsor: Rep Rehberg, Denny [MT] (introduced 1/9/2009)

Cosponsors: (None)

Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 - Referred to House committee.

Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 456

Title: To amend the Small Business Act to make service-disabled veterans eligible under the 8(a) business development program.

Sponsor: Rep Wittman, Robert J. [VA-1] (introduced 1/9/2009)

Cosponsors: (None)

Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 - Referred to House committee.

Status: Referred to the House Committee on Small Business.

H.R. 535

Title: To amend title 44 of the United States Code to provide for the suspension of fines under certain circumstances for first-time paperwork violations by small business concerns.

Sponsor: Rep Neugebauer, Randy [TX-19] (introduced 1/14/2009)

Cosponsors: (None)

Latest Major Action: 1/14/2009 - Referred to House committee.

Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Small Business, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

H.R. 648

Title: To establish the Commission on Women's Business Ownership.

Sponsor: Rep Johnson, Eddie Bernice [TX-30] (introduced 1/22/2009)

Cosponsors: (2)

Latest Major Action: 1/22/2009 - Referred to House committee.

Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, and Small Business, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

H.R. 7236

Title: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the deduction for business start-up expenditures from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

Sponsor: Rep Shea-Porter, Carol [NH-1] (introduced 9/29/2008)

Cosponsors: (4)

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2008 - Referred to House committee.

Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

S. 177

Title: A bill to amend the Small Business Act to extend the Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer programs, to increase the allocation of Federal agency grants for those programs, to add water, energy, transportation, and domestic security related research to the list of topics deserving special consideration, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 1/8/2009)

Cosponsors: (None)

Latest Major Action: 1/8/2009 - Referred to Senate committee.

Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

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DoD National HBCU/MI Conference
Atlanta, GA

February 25, 2009

Chamber of Commerce Matchmaking Event
Huntsville, AL

March 2 – 5, 2009

DoD Mentor Protégé Conference
San Francisco, CA

March 3 – 4, 2009

21st Annual High-Tech Small Business
Conference
Los Angeles, CA

March 3 – 5, 2009

National Small Business
Federal Contracting Week
Washington, DC Region

March 23 – 26, 2009

7th Annual AIAA Missile Defense
Conference
Washington, DC

March 30 – April 2, 2009

APTAC Conference
Reno, NV

March 30 – April 2, 2009

25th National Space Symposium
Colorado Springs, CO

April 6 – 9, 2009

25th Annual National Logistics Conference
and Exhibition
Miami, FL

April 21 – 23, 2009

2009 Science and Engineering Technology
Conference/DoD Tech Exhibition
North Charleston, SC

April 22, 2009

OSDBU Procurement Conference
Chantilly, VA

Congratulations ... To One of Our Own!



The Missile Defense Agency Office of Small Business Programs wishes to congratulate Mr. Nelson Barnes, Jr. for receiving the prestigious Zimmerman Award from the Alabama A&M University Research Institute (AAMURI). Mr. Barnes received the award on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 during the 9th Annual SBIR/STTR and Small Business Conference Awards Ceremony.



The James F. Zimmerman Award is bestowed upon faculty who have made significant contributions to the college or university for which they are employed. Mr. Barnes has taught in the Computer Science Department at Alabama A&M University since 2004 and has worked on numerous projects with AAMURI. He is joined in celebration by his 3 sons, Nelson III, Trenton, and Trevor, and his wife, Danielle, who supports the MDA Office of Small Business Programs as the PbSi Program Manager.

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For additional information regarding outreach activities at MDA, please email us at outreach@mda.mil.

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Did You Know...

Effective December 12, 2008, amendments to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) will require all government contractors to disclose to the Government whenever credible evidence exists of violations of certain federal criminal laws (including conflict of interest laws, fraud, gratuity violations or bribery under Title 18 of the U.S. Code), violations of the civil False Claims Act or significant overpayments in connection with a federal contract or subcontract. Failure to make such mandatory disclosures could quite possibly result in the contractor facing suspension and/or debarment.

Government contractors and subcontractors with a contract that exceeds \$5 million and a performance period of 120 days or more will now be subject to the revised FAR clause 52.203-13. The new FAR rule also extends to commercial item contractors and contractors who perform contracts entirely outside the United States.

Some requirements/provisions under the new rule are:

- Development of a written code of conduct and business ethics policies within 30 days of contract award
- Implementation of formal training programs for all employees engaged in performance of contract within 90 days of award
- Development of internal controls to support the code of conduct within 90 days of award
- Timely disclosure, in writing, to the Office of Inspector General (OIG) whenever contractor has credible evidence of a violation of Federal criminal law or civil False Claims Act
- Full cooperation with government audits, investigations, or corrective actions relating to contract fraud and corruption



Boeing IDS Wins \$397.9M Contract

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Boeing Company's Integrated Defense Systems (IDS) was recently awarded a contract worth up to \$397.9 million to continue development of the Ground-based Midcourse Defense (GMD) program for the Missile Defense Agency.

The contract includes development and fielding activities for six months, through June 2009, until a long-term, core completion contract for development can be awarded, the Department of Defense stated.

The system, with interceptors in Alaska and California, is designed to defend against ballistic missile attacks, detect missiles early in their boost phase and intercept and destroy a target in midcourse flight.

Work on the contract will primarily be performed at Boeing's IDS facility in Huntsville, AL.

Request for Information Alert!!



The DoD Missile Defense Agency's (MDA) Targets and Countermeasures (TC) program is conducting market research through a Request for Information (RFI) to determine interest and capability in supporting the future target test program. For more information, please visit the following website address:

https://www.fbo.gov/index?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=8ed1d0657d4269c4420e6bb0de5345ba&tab=core&_cview=0

