



Business Opportunities at DHS

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From the Chairman

Dear Friends,

I hope you and your families are enjoying the holidays. As the new year approaches, I am sure many of you are not only reflecting on the successes of this year, but also planning diligently for the opportunities that next year will bring. The Committee remains committed to providing you with new opportunities in 2010 and looks forward to continuing our efforts to provide you with information relevant to your businesses and constituencies.

This month's newsletter highlights the Administration's creation of jobs and contracting opportunities in transportation and infrastructure. Additionally, we provide with information on SBIR involvement at DHS. We have also included upcoming events and opportunities with the Department that you may want to take advantage of.

Please continue to share your views on working with the Department with the Committee. Additionally, feel free to provide your suggestions on improving the newsletter. Do not hesitate to contact us at DHSBizOps@mail.house.gov if I can be of assistance to you.

Keep the Faith,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bennie G. Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

"Securing our homeland is one of the nation's most critical needs. Artificial barriers that prevent those with good ideas from contributing to this important endeavor can no longer be permitted to remain unchecked. The kind of bureaucratic inertia that leads to limited opportunities for many must be replaced by a new spirit of service and inclusion. I am committed to ensuring expanded participation in this critical endeavor."

—Chairman Bennie G. Thompson



Obama Creating Opportunity in Transportation and Infrastructure

President Obama's multi-layered job plan includes spending \$50 million on transportation and infrastructure projects. The Administration and Congress are working diligently to increase infrastructure spending. The funds, which are a result of savings from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, will be obligated to specific projects slated to start within the next year.

Obama said that among his new proposals, "we're proposing a boost in investment in the nation's infrastructure beyond what was included in the Recovery Act, to continue modernizing our transportation and communications networks. These are needed public works that engage private sector companies, spurring hiring across the country."

Aides said the project spending would again include highways, transit, rail, aviation and water transport systems. The plan also includes setting aside "a significant amount" of funds for "merit-based" construction such as intermodal projects that draw in investments from other parties as well.

Although, the Recovery Act in February did not target money specifically to go to seaport construction projects other than for security measures, Obama said in the days leading up to his announcement that he was looking at port infrastructure. And Administration officials have told reporters that seaports would be included in the package that is being developed.



DID YOU KNOW?

You can locate advance acquisition planning information at:

<http://www.fido.gov/dhs/aap/publicviewsb.asp>

You can locate current opportunities at:

<http://vsearch2.fbo.gov/servlet/SearchServlet>

You can serve as a subcontractor with a prime at DHS:

http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/opnbiz/OSDBU-DHS_Prime_Contractors_List.pdf

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DHS Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)

SBIR awards are competitive grants to small businesses (500 or fewer employees) to research and develop new ideas for selected government agencies. Government agencies with the largest research budgets fund the SBIR program. The SBA coordinates and oversees the SBIR program but does not provide funding for the awards. The Department's Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program was initiated in 2004, with two Department organizations participating in the federal SBIR program—S&T and the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office (DNDO). Phase I awards are limited to \$100,000 for S&T SBIR projects and \$150,000 for DNDO SBIR projects. Phase I awards are typically made within ninety days of selection. Invited Phase II projects will be reviewed and awards will be made incrementally. Phase II awards are limited to \$750,000 for S&T SBIR projects and \$1,000,000 for DNDO SBIR projects. The Phase II proposal invitation process expeditiously identifies those Phase I awardees deserving Phase II awards. The DNDO currently issues one solicitation per year. The DNDO SBIR topics are chosen to support mission objectives.

The S&T SBIR program issues two solicitations per year. Generally, they will be issued in November and May. Topics for solicitations are developed by program managers in each of the S&T Divisions, and from time to time, by the Offices of Innovation and Basic Research. SBIR topics generally address the needs of seven Department operational units: Coast Guard, Transportation Security Administration, Customs and Border Protection, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Citizenship and Immigration Services, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and Secret Service.

For more information about the S&T SBIR program, visit: www.sbir.dhs.gov. You may also contact the Department S&T SBIR Program at stsbir.program@dhs.gov. You may also contact the Department SBIR Program Director, Elissa (Lisa) Sobolewski at 202-254-6768 or via email at elissa.sobolewski@dhs.gov.

UPCOMING EVENTS WITH DHS

EAGLE Prime Contractor Vendor Outreach Sessions

Wednesday, January 13, and Thursday, January 14, 2010

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. EST

Holiday Inn Capitol

Columbia Ballroom

Business will be meeting with the contractors who presently have contracts with DHS on the EAGLE award.

Registration begins Monday, January 4, 2010, 12:00 noon EST.

For more information: http://www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/smallbusiness/gc_1178562022535.shtm.

HELPFUL LINKS

“How to Do Business with the Department”

http://www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/editorial_0421.shtm

DHS Organizational Chart

http://www.dhs.gov/xabout/structure/editorial_0644.shtm

OSDBU Contacts

http://www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/smallbusiness/gc_1178570919850.shtm

Statistics on DHS Small Business
Performance

<http://www.sba.gov/aboutsba/sbaprograms/goals/index.html>

Reporting Contract Bundling

http://www.sba.gov/aboutsba/sbaprograms/gc/gc_bundling.html

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Solicitation #	DHS Office/ Agency	Project	Point of Contact	Response Date
212355	USSS	Communication Strategy Development	Kimberly S. Spangler kim-berly.spangler@uss.s.dhs.gov	Dec 23, 2009
HSS01-09-R-0051	USSS	HVAC Systems Removal, Maintenance & Installation	Keturah M Tate keturah.tate@uss.s.dhs.gov	Jan 19, 2010
HSCG38-10-Q-200035	USCG	REPAIRS	Tony Twiddy Tony.R.Twiddy@uscg.mil	Jan 05, 2010
HSCG40-10-R-60010	USCG	Dry-Docking Officer Technical Services Support	Susanna J. Wiedmann Susanna.J.Wiedmann@uscg.mil	Dec 28, 2009
HSCG38-10-R-500004	USCG	Technical Support Positions/ Subject Matter	Lucille McEachin Lucille.Mceachin@uscg.mil	Jan 04, 2010
HSBP1209R 2483	CBP	Comprehensive Tactical Infrastructure Maintenance and Repair (CTIMR)	Yolanda S. Brown yolanda.brown@dhs.gov	Jan 27, 2010
RFI-20052822	CBP	Information Rights Management (IRM) and Digital Rights Management (DRM)	Cynthia C. Young cynthia.young@dhs.gov	Jan 11, 2010
HSTS01-10-HRM999	TSA	Fingerprint Processing Services	Lamar Walker Lamar.Walker@dhs.gov	Jan 21, 2010

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NAICS Code	DHS Office/Agency	Project	Point of Contact
236220	CBP	Construction management support services to provide QA/QC for six ARRA funded CBP direct procurement LPOE design/build projects.	Kerri Bishop kerri.bishop@dhs.gov
541611	CBP	Consulting services on cargo-related IT systems	Kevin Mooney kevin.mooney@dhs.gov
541511	DHS HQ	Competitive requirement for Telecommunications infrastructure information repository.	Alvin Woods
541611	DHS HQ	Systems Engineering Technical Assistance (SETA) and Program Management Support Services to the WMD/BioWatch Program in the Office of Health Affairs (OHA)	Randall Burelson randall.burelson@dhs.gov
541712	DHS HQ	Community Based CIP Institute	Lawrence Skelly sandt- infrastructuregeophysical@dhs.gov
541611	DHS HQ	Budget and Financial Management Support Services.	Toya Reynolds toya.reynolds@dhs.gov
541611	FEMA	Provide financial oversight, analysis, and tracking support. Support also includes the assessment and revisions of the financial monitoring protocols developed by GPD, along with the development of GPD's annual monitoring plan.	Greg Blair greg.blair@dhs.gov
518210	FEMA	Hosting environment for the FEMA Grant Reporting Tool (GRT).	David Evans david.evans@dhs.gov
541611	ICE	This is a new acquisition plan for Program Management Professional Services in the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO), Office of Financial Management (OFM).	Alice Hancock Alice.Hancock@dhs.gov
541511	ICE	Operations and maintenance IT services; Mississippi	Alexis Adamson Alexis.Adamson@dhs.gov
541519, (Footnote 18)	ICE	IT hardware; Metro Washington, DC	Contact Teaming Coordinators on ITAC Website: http://www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/opportunities/editorial_0700.shtm