## Amendment No. 0001 Question and Answers

## **Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) Number 10-003**

## Joint Counter Radio Controlled Improvised Explosive Device Electronic Warfare 3.3 Technologies

The purpose of Amendment 0001 is to provide answers to questions.

**Question 1:** The BAA indicates a proposal submission due date of 2 Feb 2010, and states that "Navy evaluations of White Papers will be issued via e-mail notification on or about Tuesday 19 Jan 2010". That would leave bidders only a little more than a week to produce a quality proposal that complies with all the instructions. This is an unusually short period of allocation for a proposal, and recommend that is be extended to allow bidders about 30 days to prepare the proposal once the notifications are made.

**Answer 1:** From the time of Notification of White Paper Evaluation to the Full Proposal Due Date is approximately fourteen (14) days. The submission dates are driven by restrictions on the time available to implement contracts for the selected efforts utilizing FY10 funding and cannot be adjusted. Please remember that the dates are estimates as of the date of the announcement.

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**Question 2:** Should we be considering an antenna system with band breaks? I believe the original intent for band breaks were based on the 3.3 power amplifier designs.

**Answer 2:** JCREW 3.3 S&T is seeking wide bandwidth antennae technologies with the additional characteristics listed in the BAA and is not assigning band breaks. Multi-band antenna solutions are acceptable approaches to achieving wide bandwidth coverage in future antennae assuming the technology can achieve the other required characteristics. The intent is to achieve the maximum bandwidth possible while also achieving the added characteristics.

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**Question 3:** In Section D, Number 3, Direction Finding and Geo-location, the angular DF accuracy is listed as 35°. Is that correct?

**Answer 3:** That is correct.

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BAA 10-003 Amendment 0001 Page 1 of 2 **Question 4:** Is it possible to brief you on our technology capability prior to the BAA deadline?

**Answer 4:** In order to remain impartial, it is not possible to meet with potential proposers prior to the submission of proposals. The white paper submission is intended to be an opportunity for the offerors to present their ideas without exhausting significant resources to produce a full proposal.

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**Question 5:** Is it possible to have a brief conversation to determine whether an idea is worth submitting?

**Answer 5:** In order to remain impartial, it is not possible to meet with potential proposers prior to the submission of proposals. The white paper submission is intended to be the opportunity for the offerors to present their ideas without exhausting significant resources to produce a full proposal.

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**Question 6:** Is there additional guidance in the S&T Strategic Plan or in technology gaps?

**Answer 6:** The BAA presents the technology areas of interest for JCREW 3.3, there is no additional guidance in the S&T Strategic Plan or in documentation of technology gaps.

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**Question 7:** Can you let me know whether industry can be a subcontract on an award to an academic institution?

**Answer 7:** Yes, this teaming arrangement is acceptable.