Amendment Number 0003

The purpose of Amendment Number 0003 is to revise:

1. Section I, entitled “General Information”, paragraph 5, entitled “Response Date”, is hereby revised as follows:

   “5. Response Date

   Full proposals are due by no later than 2:00 pm (Eastern Daylight Time) on 25 SEP 2008”

2. Section III, entitled “Eligibility Information”, is revised to read as follows:

   “III. ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

   The following types of entities are eligible as prime contractors under this solicitation:

   2. Foreign-owned firms with Special Security Agreements (SSAs) granted by DSS as well as a DSS “Secret” level facility and DSS “Secret” level personnel clearances.

   All work requiring access to and use of classified information must be performed in the U.S.

   For Phases II and III, the manufacturing facility in the U.S. must have at least a DSS “Secret” level facility clearance.

   Any subcontractor working with classified information must meet the following criteria:

   1. U.S.-owned firms with DSS “Secret” level personnel clearances.
   2. Foreign-owned firms with SSAs granted by DSS including DSS “Secret” level personnel clearances.

   It is preferred that any subcontractor working with classified information have a DSS “Secret” level facility in which to conduct its work. If a proposed subcontractor working with classified information does not have a DSS “Secret” level facility, then the subcontractor must have a formal arrangement with the prime contractor for all work to be completed and stored in the prime contractor’s DSS “Secret” level facility. Any
situation described above must be solidified in a written agreement, and that agreement shall be available for Government review.

If proposing the use of any subcontractors, the prime contractor must clearly delineate the following information within its proposal:

1. If the subcontractor will be working with classified or unclassified information;
2. Whether or not the entity is U.S.-owned;
3. If the firm has a DSS “Secret” level facility clearance in the U.S.; and
4. If the firm has DSS “Secret” personnel clearances in the U.S.

It is the prime contractor’s responsibility to ensure proper protection and disbursement of classified information.

Only U.S. persons are permitted to work on this effort due to export control restrictions on the technologies involved in this BAA. The term “U.S. persons” is defined in the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR) - 22 CFR § 120.1 et seq.

Teaming is encouraged; however, offerors must be willing to cooperate and exchange software, data and other information in an integrated program with all team members as well as with the Government.

Teaming with academia is permitted. Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and Minority Institutions (MIs) may join others; however, no portion of this BAA will be set aside for HBCU and MI participation.

Federally Funded Research & Development Centers (FFRDCs) including Department of Energy National Laboratories are not eligible to receive awards under this BAA as a prime contractor or subcontractor.

Navy laboratories and warfare centers as well as other Department of Defense and civilian agency laboratories are eligible to receive sub-awards by teaming with other responsible sources that submit prime contractor proposals under this BAA. See section IV for how to propose the costs associated with this type of subcontractor.

Teaming with the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock Division (NSWCCD) is prohibited because NSWCCD will be the lead Navy laboratory who will evaluate the products of this program.