Amendment 0002 BAA 09-007 titled "Basic Research in Rotorcraft Technology"

The purpose of Amendment 0002 to BAA 09-007 is to: 1) Make a correction to two answers on Amendment 0001 and 2) Answer submitted questions.

- 1. ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE REVISED AS FOLLOWS (CHANGES IN **BOLD**):
- Q: May service academies (USNA, USMA, USAFA etc.) or University Affiliated Research Centers (UARC's) receive an award under this BAA?
- A: Service Academies are considered Government labs, and UARC's as FFRDC's (see Sec. 3). Therefore, they may team with eligible organizations, provided their operating rules
- allow it, but may not themselves receive an award.
- Q: Can an eligible offeror partner with a DoD organization?
- A: Yes (see Sec. 3). However, individuals at these labs who are serving as white paper/proposal evaluators will be instructed to separate themselves from all teaming discussions and will be ineligible to serve as PI or key personnel. The evaluation team will be finalized shortly. If a successful offeror has proposed to subcontract to a DoD organization, it is anticipated that the funding would be transferred directly to that organization via a Military Interdepartmental Purchase Request (MIPR).
- 2. SUBMITTED QUESTIONS ARE ANSWERED AS FOLLOWS:
- Q: Is there a priority thrust for ONR, or do you anticipate roughly the same number of projects being funded from the 3 areas mentioned in the BAA?
- A: ONR hopes to receive high-quality proposals in all three research thrust areas. These areas have not been prioritized and no funding allocation has been established among them.
- Q: What period of performance should be targeted in the initial white paper? Just the first year, or can we outline the plan for the 'out' years as well?
- A: ONR anticipates periods of performance ranging from 1-4 years (see Section 2). Shorter or longer periods of performance are discouraged and will be considered only if clearly advantageous.
- Q: For the first year, is there a possibility of getting > \$100k funding for a project depending on the amount of work proposed in the tasks?
- A: ONR anticipates FY09 funding in the range of \$50-100k per project (see Section 2). Requests for greater funding levels are discouraged and will be considered only if clearly advantageous.

Q: For estimating travel costs, can you provide some guidance regarding the number or frequency of Project Meetings and Reviews (Sec. 7.6)?

A: Plan on a kickoff meeting, year-end reviews, and a final briefing (which may take the place of a year-end review). Interim reviews will be accomplished via remote conferencing to the greatest extent possible.