The purpose of Amendment Number 0002 is to provide answers to questions received under BAA 11-017, entitled “Joint Counter Radio Controlled Improved Explosive Device Electronic Warfare (JCREW) 3.3 Technologies,” and provide additional information as follows.

Q#1: We would like to know if this process (ONRBAA11-017 Joint Counter Radio Controlled Improvised Explosive Device Electronic Warfare (JCREW) 3.3 Technologies) is opened for non-US companies?

A#1: No.

Q#2: Can we describe a technical solution and its application to three different BAA technical areas all in one white paper, or does each white paper need to address only one BAA technical area?

A#2: Yes, we recommend that you describe the impact on your technology if it is applicable to multiple technology areas. In such cases, we also request that the applicable BAA technical areas be identified at the beginning of the white paper, in addition to the primary technical area.

Q#3: Is cryptographic jamming an important class of friendly-force jammers within the JCREW/BFC community?

A#3: Not at this time.

Q#4: Does the Navy envision operational scenarios where simultaneous friendly-force jammers and communications occur in ship-to-ship, ship-to-aircraft and aircraft to ground?

A#4: Not under the JCREW 3.3 S&T Program.

Q#5: Our company intends to submit a whitepaper in response to your recent BAA on the developments we have made since delivering a previous technology. Who is the primary contact for antenna technology?

A#5: Technical points of contact are not provided to potential offerors to discuss this BAA. Government representatives involved in the BAA process are not at liberty to discuss concepts, approaches or proposals regarding potential white paper submissions toward this BAA while the BAA is open.
Q#6: Will we be able to have a conference call with your group to determine if our ideas are in line with what your program is looking for in white paper for this BAA?

A#6: Government representatives involved in the BAA process are not at liberty to discuss concepts, approaches or proposals regarding potential white paper submissions toward this BAA while the BAA is open.

Q#7: Is your plan to evaluate the white papers and respond before the proposal date?

A#7: Only white papers which have been selected for further consideration under this BAA as a result of the white paper review and evaluation process will be requested for oral presentation to JCREW 3.3 S&T reviewers. Oral presentation which are favorably reviewed and deemed high interest to JCREW 3.3 S&T will be requested to submit full proposals. Any white paper which is not selected to provide oral presentations will not be eligible to provide an oral presentation or submit a full proposal under this BAA.

Q#8: I was wondering if it might be possible to have a short conversation over a secure line (SCI) with someone in the JCREW organization to explain our ideas and to assess their potential.

A#8: Government representatives involved in the BAA process are not at liberty to discuss concepts, approaches or proposals regarding potential white paper submissions toward this BAA while the BAA is open.

Q#9: Can you tell me if or when BAA 11-017 expires?

A#9: The BAA deadline is clearly defined in the BAA announcement as May 16, 2011 at 3:00 PM EST.

Q#10: What happens to any IP as a result of any funded research at the conclusion of the contract/project period? Would ONR own the IP as they have funded it?

A#10: Typically the contractor will own the IP. However, the Government would have a license or unlimited rights. Technologies for which data rights which have not been asserted will be subject to full Government usage rights.

Q#11: Could the results or any product developed from that IP fall under ITAR rules and regulations?

A#11: Yes.

Q#12: I read where US Naval Sea Systems Command exercised the third option of a $29M JCREW 3.3 contract to ITT. Your BAA is for JCREW 3.3 Technologies. How do these two efforts relate?
A#12: JCREW 3.3 S&T pursues high risk, advanced technology concepts and capabilities in an effort to reduce the risk of using the technology in future JCREW 3.3 systems. While the JCREW 3.3 contract is for the development of today’s JCREW 3.3 system, JCREW 3.3 S&T is pursuing the underlying technologies and advanced capabilities for the JCREW 3.3 system of the future. Technology is transitioned from the ONR JCREW 3.3 S&T program to the PMS-408 JCREW 3.3 program when it has reached a sufficient maturity level.

Q#13: How much funding do you anticipate?

A#13: Funding levels are clearly stated in the BAA announcement. Please review the BAA.