

a. Program Design (60%)

i. Getting Things Done

- Well-documented compelling community need(s).
- Well-designed activities with measurable goals and objectives that meet community needs.
- Well-defined roles for participants that lead to measurable outcomes/impact.
- Effective involvement of target community in planning/implementation.
- Ability to provide or secure effective technical assistance.

ii. Strengthening Communities.

- Strong community partnerships including well-defined roles for community partners.
- Potential for sustainability, innovation and/or replicability of project activities.
- Enhanced capacity of organizations and institutions.
- Mobilization of community resources, including volunteers.
- Bring together persons of diverse backgrounds.

iii. Participant Development.

- Effective plans for recruiting, developing, training, supervising, and recognizing participants.
- Well-designed activities that promote an ethic of service/civic responsibility.
- Well-designed plan to engage participants in high quality service-learning as defined by the Corporation.
- Learn to serve together with persons of diverse backgrounds.

b. Organizational Capacity (25%)

- Ability to provide sound programmatic and fiscal oversight.
- Sound track record in the issue area(s) to be addressed by the project.
- Well-defined roles for staff/administrators.
- Well-designed plans or systems for self-assessment, evaluation and continuous improvement.

c. Budget/Cost-Effectiveness (15%)

- Budget adequately supports program design.
- Applicant organization/host agency is committed to securing resources for program implementation and/or sustainability.
- Cost-effective within program guidance.

3. Subcategories Within Program Design

To reflect the differences between Learn and Serve America, National Senior Service Corps, AmeriCorps*VISTA, and AmeriCorps*State and National, the Corporation proposes to apply different

values to the three subcategories within Program Design for each category of national service program. Thus, while Program Design will uniformly constitute 60% of an organization's evaluation, the Corporation may, for each national service program, place a different value on getting things done, strengthening communities and fostering participant development, as follows:

*AmeriCorps*State and National:* Getting things done in communities—things that would not have gotten done but for AmeriCorps—has been the core purpose for AmeriCorps*State and National. Program emphasis is placed on well-designed program activities that result in direct and demonstrable benefits that are both needed and valued by communities. Strengthening communities is mainly accomplished by mobilizing community resources and enhancing the capacity of organizations and institutions in order to achieve sustainability. AmeriCorps*State and National programs are required to develop specific strengthening communities and participant development objectives with demonstrable outcomes.

*AmeriCorps*VISTA* shifts the emphasis and gets things done more by mobilizing community resources and developing the capacity of community organizations. Strengthening communities is at the heart of AmeriCorps*VISTA's mission. The potential for sustainability, enhanced capacity, and mobilization of community resources (including volunteers), encompasses AmeriCorps*VISTA's most significant program measures and forms the basis of virtually all overall program evaluation activity.

Learn and Serve America's definition of getting things done must include measures of service-learning. A major concern is how participants will learn while engaging in projects that get things done and benefit the community. Learn and Serve emphasizes lasting impact on the community as a result of community involvement and school or institutional change. Increasing the acceptance of service-learning as a pedagogy and tool for strengthening communities is an essential goal of the program. Within Learn and Serve America appropriate participant development occurs through well-designed service-learning experiences that have as an integral component, positive community impact.

The National Senior Service Corps' incorporation of Programming for Impact has placed a new and significant emphasis on getting things done. Aside

from the previous focus of providing a volunteer opportunity, there is an emphasis on channeling and utilizing the capabilities of participants to address critical community and human needs. The traditional Senior Corps philosophy is that participant development is very important. However, the starting point must be good, solid roles and activities viewed by the community as valued and important, that establish a context within which participant development occurs.

Within Program Design, the Corporation will consider the three subcategories in descending order of importance, as follows:

AmeriCorps*State and National

- (1) Getting Things Done
- (2) Participant Development
- (3) Strengthening Communities

AmeriCorps*VISTA

- (1) Strengthening Communities
- (2) Getting Things Done
- (3) Participant Development

Learn and Serve America

- Getting Things Done—equal
- Strengthening Communities—equal
- Participant Development—equal

National Senior Service Corps

- (1) Getting Things Done
- (2) Strengthening Community
- (3) Participant Development

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General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Waiver of 10 U.S.C. 2534 for Certain Defense Items Produced in the United Kingdom

AGENCY: Department of Defense, (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of waiver of 10 U.S.C. 2534 for certain defense items produced in the United Kingdom.

SUMMARY: The Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology) is waiving the limitation of 10 U.S.C. 2534 for certain defense items produced in the United Kingdom (UK). 10 U.S.C. 2534 limits DoD procurement of certain items to sources in the national technology and industrial base. The waiver will permit procurement of items enumerated from sources in the UK.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This waiver is effective for one year, beginning August 4, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Walter Henderson, OUSD (A&T), Director of Defense Procurement, Foreign Contracting, Room 3C762, 3060

Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3060, telephone (703) 697-9351.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Subsection (a) of 10 U.S.C. 2534 provided that the Secretary of Defense may procure the items listed in that subsection only if the manufacturer of the item is part of the national technology and industrial base. Subsection (i) of 10 U.S.C. 2534 authorizes the Secretary of Defense to exercise the waiver authority in subsection (d), on the basis of the applicability of paragraph (2) or (3) of that subsection, only if the waiver is made for a particular item listed in subsection (a) and for particular foreign country. Subsection (d) authorizes a waiver if the Secretary determines that application of the limitation "would impede the reciprocal procurement of defense items under a memorandum of understanding providing for reciprocal procurement of defense items" and if he determines that "that country does not discriminate against defense items produced in the United States to a greater degree than the United States discriminates against defense items produced in that country." The Secretary of Defense has delegated the waiver authority of 10 U.S.C. 2534(d) to the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology).

DoD has a reciprocal procurement Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the UK that was signed on December 4, 1994.

The Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology) finds that UK does not discriminate against defense items produced in the United States to a greater degree than the United States discriminates against defense items produced in the UK, and also finds that application of the limitation in 10 U.S.C. 2534 against defense items produced in the UK would impede the reciprocal procurement of defense items under the MOU.

Under the authority of 10 U.S.C. 2534, the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology) has determined that application of the limitation of 10 U.S.C. 2534(a) to the procurement of any defense item produced in the UK that is listed below would impede the reciprocal procurement of defense items under the MOU with the UK.

On the basis of the foregoing, the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology) is waiving the limitation in 10 U.S.C. 2534(a) for procurements of any defense item listed below that is produced in the UK. This waiver applies only to the limitations in 10 U.S.C. 2534(a). It does not apply to

any other limitation, including sections 8016 and 8073 of the National Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1998 (Pub. L. 105-56). This waiver applies to procurements under solicitations issued on or after the effective date of this waiver. For contracts entered into prior to the effective date of this waiver, this waiver applies to procurements of the defense items listed below under—

(1) Subcontracts entered into on or after such effective date, provided the prime contract is modified to provide the Government adequate consideration such as lower cost or improve performance; and

(2) Options that are exercised after such effective date if the option prices are adjusted for any reason other than the application of the waiver, and if the contract is modified to provide the Government adequate consideration such as lower cost or improved performance.

List of Items to Which This Waiver Applies

1. Air circuit breakers.
2. Welded shipboard anchor and mooring chain with a diameter of four inches or less.
3. Gyrocompasses.
4. Electronic navigation chart systems.
5. Steering controls.
6. Pumps.
7. Propulsion and machinery control systems.
8. Totally enclosed lifeboats.
9. Ball and roller bearings.

Michele P. Peterson,

Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:

Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

TIME AND DATE: 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., August 3, 1998.

PLACE: Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Board of Regents Conference Room (D3001), 4301 Jones Bridge Road, Bethesda, MD 20814-4799.

STATUS: Open—under "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3)).

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

8:30 a.m.—Meeting—Board of Regents
(1) Approval of Minutes—May 15, 1998

- (2) Faculty Matters
- (3) Departmental Reports
- (4) Financial Report
- (5) Report—President, USUHS
- (6) Report—Dean, School of Medicine
- (7) Report—Dean, Graduate School of Nursing
- (8) Comments—Chairman, Board of Regents
- (9) New Business

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Mr. Bobby D. Anderson, Executive Secretary of the Board of Regents, (301) 295-3116.

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OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 19, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early