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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Interested offerors of information may attend the event in person or may submit a 100-word response describing how a technology meets one or more of the tasks identified in this document. Written responses should be sent to Dr. Bowman not later than June 29, 2018 for inclusion in a summary technology report.

The Joint Information Operations Warfare Center (JIOWC) is establishing requirements to support the emerging domain of Operations in the Information Environment. A Capability Based Assessment (CBA) has identified four Concept Requirement Capabilities (CRC's), identified below, each consisting of sub-ordinate task requirements. The CRCs and the supporting sub-tasks are identified below:

Required Capabilities

A. Required Capabilities to Characterize and Assess the Informational, Physical, and Human Aspects of the Security Environment. The Joint Force requires the ability to:

A.1 determine impact of relevant informational, physical, and human aspects of the security environment on Joint Force objectives.

A.2 understand the perceptions and attitudes that drive behaviors that affect JFC's objectives.

A.3 understand how relevant actors are successful in adapting their use of information technology.

A.4 share contextual understanding of the security environment.

A.5 characterize, assess, synthesize, and understand trends of relevant actor activities and their impacts on the IE throughout cooperation, competition, and conflict.

A.6 analyze and estimate relevant change within the IE.

A.7 identify, access, and manage IE subject matter expertise.

A.8 understand internal and other relevant actor bias within the IE.

B. Required Capabilities to Formulate Options that Integrate Physical and Informational Power. The Joint Force requires the ability to:

B.1 identify, optimize and assess the effectiveness of the full range of options that integrate physical and informational power to produce desired psychological effects.

B.2 employ required forces and capabilities from across the Joint Force to sustain or change perceptions and attitudes that drive desired behaviors of relevant actors.

B.3 assess relevant actors' capability and capacity to receive, understand, and respond to Joint Force physical and informational activities.

C. Required Capabilities to Execute and Modify Options. The Joint Force requires the ability to:

C.1 execute integrated physical and informational activities designed to achieve psychological effects.

C.2 assess and modify informational power with the same level of competency as physical power.

D. Required Capabilities to Institutionalize the Integration of Physical and Informational Power. The Joint Force requires the ability to:

D.1 change how its individuals, organizations, and units think about and treat information.

D.2 organize, train, equip, and maintain organizations that deliberately leverage the informational aspects of military activities.

D.3 integrate operations with interorganizational partners.

D.4 leverage physical and informational power at its discretion to achieve objectives.

The Joint Concept for Operations in the Information Environment provides a detailed review of the CRCs. This document is available upon request from Dr. Bowman.

The Army Research Lab (ARL) is conducting a technology state-of-the-art review in support of the JIOWC CBA to identify technology readiness levels (TRLs) of existing or emerging systems to support the four CRCs and each of the subordinate requirements. The Information Event will begin with a government overview of the importance and military relevance of OIE. This will be followed by a staff overview of the OIE CRCs and sub-tasks that will include discussion and question/answers from the audience. Four CRC subgroups will be formed and led by government advisors to explore the technology requirements in more detail. A technology demonstration opportunity will be offered during the last two hours of day one for attendees to provide technology exemplars. Days two and three (the number of days will be determined by the number of attendees interested in presenting) will consist of individual briefings by interested parties. Briefings will be organized by CRCs. Presentations should not exceed 10 minutes to be followed by 5 minutes of questions/answers.

As indicated previously, physical attendance is not required at the Information Event. If interested parties would like to promote their technology for any of the CRCs, they should send a written description of how the technology addresses one or more CRC or sub-task. Each description should not be greater than 100 words and should include the TRL for the system. The description should clearly identify the

offerer name, contact information, and identify any operational user groups.

Brenda S. Bowen,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Army Science Board Closed Meeting Notice

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of a closed meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Sunshine in the Government Act of 1976 and the Code of the Federal Regulations, the Department of the Army announces the following committee meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB) Summer Voting Session.

Date: Thursday, July 19, 2018.

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Location: Arnold and Mabel Beckman Center of the National Academies of Sciences and Engineering, 100 Academy Way, Irvine, CA 92617.

Purpose of Meeting: The purpose of the meeting is for ASB members to review, deliberate, and vote on the findings and recommendations presented for four Fiscal Year 2018 (FY18) ASB studies.

Agenda: The board will present findings and recommendations for deliberation and vote on the following FY17 studies:

Multi-Domain Operations. This study is classified and will be presented in a closed meeting at 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Man Unmanned-Teaming. This study is classified and will be presented in a closed meeting at 10:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Army Science Board, Designated Federal Officer, 2530 Crystal Drive, Suite 7098, Arlington, VA 22202; Ms. Heather J. Gerard (Ierardi), the committee's Designated Federal Officer (DFO), at (703) 545–8652 or email: heather.j.ierardi.civ@mail.mil, or Mr. Paul Woodward at (703) 695–8344 or email: paul.j.woodward2.civ@mail.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

(Filing Written Statement): Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140d, the Committee is not obligated to allow the public to speak; however, interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Subcommittees.

Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement to the DFO at the address listed above. Written statements not received at least 10 calendar days prior to the meeting may not be considered by the Board prior to its scheduled meeting.

The DFO will review all timely submissions with the Board's executive committee and ensure they are provided to the specific study members as necessary before, during, or after the meeting. After reviewing written comments, the study chairs and the DFO may choose to invite the submitter of the comments to orally present their issue during a future open meeting.

The DFO, in consultation with the executive committee, may allot a specific amount of time for members of the public to present their issues for discussion.

Public's Accessibility to the Meeting: The Department of the Army has determined that the Multi-Doman Operations study and the Man Unmanned-Teaming study are classified and are thus closed to the public in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (1), which permits Federal Advisory Committee meetings to be closed which are likely to "disclose matters that are (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive Order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) in fact properly classified pursuant to such Executive Order."

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number DARS-2018-0009; OMB Control Number 0704-0479]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Earned Value Management System; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Defense Acquisition Regulations System has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by June 22, 2018.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Business Systems-Definition and Administration; DFARS 234, Earned Value Management System, OMB Control Number 0704-0479.

Affected Public: Businesses and other for-profit entities.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Reporting Frequency: On occasion.

Number of Respondents: 10.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 10.

Average Burden per Response: 676 hours.

Annual Response Burden Hours: 6,760.

Needs and Uses: DFARS clause 252.242-7005, Contractor Business Systems, requires contractors to respond to written determinations of significant deficiencies in the contractor's business systems as defined in the clause. The information contractors are required to submit in response to findings of significant deficiencies in their accounting system, estimating system, material management and accounting system, and purchasing system has previously been approved by the Office of Management and Budget. This request specifically addresses information required by DFARS clause 252.234-7002, Earned Value Management System, for contractors to respond to determinations of significant deficiencies in a contractor's Earned Value Management System (EVMS). The requirements apply to entities that are contractually required to maintain an EVMS. DoD needs this information to document actions to correct significant deficiencies in contractor business systems. DoD contracting officers use the information to mitigate the risk of unallowable and unreasonable costs being charged on government contracts.

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jasmeet Seehra.

Comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Ms. Jasmeet Seehra, DoD Desk Officer, at Oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. Please identify the proposed information collection by DoD Desk Officer and the Docket ID number and title of the information collection

You may also submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by the following method:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

DoD Clearance Officer: Mr. Frederick C. Licari.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Licari at: WHS/ESD Directives Division, 4800 Mark Center Drive, 2nd Floor, East Tower, Suite 03F09, Alexandria, VA 22350-3100.

Amy G. Williams,

Deputy, Defense Acquisition Regulations System.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Defense Acquisition Regulations System

[Docket Number DARS-2018-0011; OMB Control Number 0704-0255]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Construction and Architect-Engineer Contracts; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition Regulations System, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Defense Acquisition Regulations System has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by June 22, 2018.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 236, Construction and Architect-Engineer Contracts, and related clauses at DFARS 252.236; OMB Control Number 0704-0255.

Affected Public: Businesses and other for-profit entities.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Reporting Frequency: On occasion.

Number of Respondents: 1,735.

Responses per Respondent: 5.

Annual Responses: 8,675.

Average Burden per Response: 12.

Annual Response Burden Hours: 104,100.

Needs and Uses: DoD contracting officers need this information to