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**Long Range Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for the Undersea Security Program**

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## I. OVERVIEW OF THE RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY

This publication constitutes a Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) as contemplated in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 6.102(d)(2) and 35.016, for the support of the Department of the Navy's Undersea Security Program. The Undersea Security Program consists of the Strategic Systems Programs (SSP), SSBN Security Technology Program (SSTP), SSN/SSGN Security Program (S3P), and the Subsea and Seabed Warfare Security Program (SSWSP). A formal Request for Proposals (RFP), solicitation, and/or additional information regarding this announcement will not be issued. Unless indicated otherwise, any references to SSP within the BAA refers to the Undersea Security Program.

SSP reserves the right to fund all, some, or none of the proposals received under this BAA. SSP provides no funding for direct reimbursement of proposal development costs. Technical and cost proposals (or any other material) submitted in response to this BAA will not be returned. It is SSP policy to treat all proposals submitted under this BAA as source selection information as defined in FAR 2.101.

This BAA uses competitive procedures in accordance with 10 U.S.C. § 3012 for the selection for award of Science and Technology (S&T) proposals. For purposes of this BAA, S&T includes activities involving basic research, applied research, advanced technology development, and, under certain conditions, may include activities involving advanced component development and prototypes. This Announcement is not for the acquisition of technical, engineering, and other types of support services

BAA Call: BAA Calls will be posted to the SAM.gov website under Contract Opportunities, (search) Broad Agency Announcements (BAA) at https://sam.gov/content/home, as applicable, and the BAA Calls will make reference to this BAA for submission instructions.

Each BAA Call will provide a description of the specific research effort being solicited, the proposal process to be used, as well as the recommended dates for submission of proposals. Proposals submitted in response to the BAA Calls shall be submitted under this BAA following the instructions contained in this BAA. Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria set forth in this BAA. Interested parties are urged to periodically check the SAM.gov website - Contract Opportunities (https://sam.gov/content/home) for new BAA Calls.

## A. Required Overview Content

1. **Federal Awarding Agency Name**

   Department of the Navy
   Portfolio Acquisition Executive Strategic Systems Programs
   1250 10th Street, SE, Suite 3600
   Washington, DC 20374

2. **Funding Opportunity Title** - Long Range Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) in support of the Undersea Security Program.

3. **Announcement Type** - Initial Announcement

4. **Funding Opportunity Number** -N00030-26-S-7002

5. **Key Dates**

   This announcement will remain open for approximately one (1) year from the date of publication, or until replaced by a successor BAA. Proposals may be submitted at any time during this period. Submission of Late Proposals (Applicable to Calls for White Papers and Full Proposals) - the Government reserves the right not to review proposals submitted after 10 August 2026, or after a successor to this Long Range BAA is issued, whichever occurs first.

6. **North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code** - The NAICS codes for contracts under this announcement are "541715" with a small business size standard of "1,000 employees" and "541330" with a size standard of "$47M."

7. **Contracting Officer** - The Contracting Officer for this announcement is identified under Section II, subparagraphs G.3. For any BAA Call, the Contracting Officer will be identified in the BAA Call.

## II. DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT THE RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY

### A. Program Description –

SSP is interested in receiving proposals for Long-Range S&T Projects that offer potential in support of the Undersea Security Program. Readers should note that this is an announcement to declare SSP's broad role in competitive funding of meritorious research across a spectrum of science and engineering disciplines.

Focus Area #1: A Navy objective for this BAA is to focus on research and development services involving studies, analysis and assessments addressing a broad variety of areas such as Tactical Submarine Evolution Plan and Integrated Undersea Future Investment Strategy. Areas of research include 1) War-game design, development, planning, execution, and analysis in support of current and future undersea and seabed warfare capabilities and operations to support future technology decisions, capabilities and strategies 2) Modeling and Simulation (M&S) and other analytical capabilities to inform the development of strategic plans, capabilities, and mitigation options as well as identify technical and programmatic risks, 3)Studies to evaluate sensors, signatures, weapons systems, and platforms (both manned and unmanned), 4) Analysis of the impact of new technology to in-service and future submarine operations in the presence of adversaries using kinetic and non-kinetic affects, 5) Studies to evaluate maintainability and supportability of technology recommendations. These studies, analyses, and assessments may be extended in support of allied nation submarine programs.

Focus Area #2: A Navy objective for this BAA is to focus on technology ideas that can impact the survivability of submarines and unmanned undersea systems. Technologies with both near term (<10 years) and far term (>10 years) implications will be considered. Focus Area #2 of this BAA concentrates on 1) improving the understanding of the generation, radiation, propagation, and scatter of a variety of signal types (acoustic, chemical, optical, electromagnetic, radiological hydrodynamic, and cyber) associated with submarine and unmanned system operations, to include both peacetime and wartime operations; 2) technology that may mitigate these same phenomena; 3) Analytic tools, techniques, and processes which can be used to evaluate undersea manned and unmanned system survivability against kinetic and non-kinetic affects during peacetime and wartime mission scenarios; 4) identification and evaluation of technology trends (near and far term) and how these impact undersea security. These studies, analyses, and assessments may be extended in support of allied nation submarine programs.

### B. Federal Award Information

**1. Eligibility for Competition**. Proposals for supplementation of existing projects are eligible to compete with applications for new Federal awards under this BAA.

**2. Contracted Fundamental Research**. With regard to any restrictions on the conduct or outcome of work funded under this BAA, SSP will follow the guidance on and definition of "contracted fundamental research" as provided in the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics) Memorandum of 24 May 2010.

As defined therein, the definition of "contracted fundamental research," in a DoD

contractual context, includes research performed under contracts that are (a) funded by RDT&E Budget Activity 1 (Basic Research), whether performed by universities or industry or (b) funded by Budget Activity 2 (Applied Research) and performed on campus at a university.

SSP will place no restriction on the conduct or reporting of unclassified "contracted fundamental research," except as otherwise required by statute, regulation or executive order. The research shall not be considered fundamental in those rare and exceptional circumstances where the applied research effort presents a high likelihood of disclosing performance characteristics of military systems or manufacturing technologies that are unique and critical to defense, and where agreement on restrictions have been recorded in the contract. For certain research projects, it may be possible that although the research being performed by the prime contractor is restricted research, a subcontractor may be conducting "contracted fundamental research." In those cases, it is the ***prime contractor's responsibility*** in the proposal to identify and describe the subcontracted unclassified research and include a statement confirming that the work has been scoped, negotiated, and determined to be fundamental research according to the prime contractor and subcontractor.

**3. Funded Amount and Period of Performance.** The funded amount and period of performance of each proposal selected for award may vary depending on the technology area and the technical approach to be pursued by the offeror selected.

**4. Instrument Type:**

**Procurement Contract(s)**. A legal instrument, consistent with 31 U.S.C. 6303, which reflects a relationship between the Federal Government and another entity/contractor when the principal purpose of the instrument is to acquire property or services for the direct benefit or use of the Federal Government.

## C. Eligibility Information

### 1. Eligible Offerors

All businesses, both small and large, are encouraged to submit proposals and compete for funding consideration.

Federally Funded Research & Development Centers (FFRDCs), including Department of Energy National Laboratories, **are not** eligible to receive awards under this BAA. However, teaming arrangements between FFRDCs and eligible principal Offerors are allowed so long as such arrangements are permitted under the sponsoring agreement between the Government and the specific FFRDC.

Navy laboratories, military universities and warfare centers as well as other Department of Defense and civilian agency laboratories are also not eligible to receive awards under this BAA and should not directly submit either white papers or full proposals in response to this BAA. If any such organization is interested in one

or more of the programs described herein, the organization should contact the Contracting Officer.

University Affiliated Research Centers (UARCs) are eligible to submit proposals under this BAA unless precluded from doing so by their Department of Defense UARC contract.

Teams are also encouraged and may submit proposals in any areas. Offerors must be willing to cooperate and exchange software, data and other information in an integrated program with other contractors, as well as with system integrators, selected by SSP.

Disclosures of current and pending support made in this application may render an offeror ineligible for funding. Prior to award and throughout the period of performance, DoD may continue to request updated continuing and pending support information, which will be reviewed and may result in discontinuation of funding.

### 2. Cost Sharing or Matching

Cost sharing is not expected under resultant contract(s) and will not be used as a factor during the merit review of any proposal hereunder; however, the Government may consider voluntary cost sharing if proposed. Additional guidance can be found at 2 CFR 200.306 and FAR 35.003.

## D. Submission Information

### 1. BAA Publication

This BAA may be accessed from System for Award Management (Sam.gov - Contract Opportunities) (https://sam.gov/content/home ). Amendments, if any, to this BAA will be posted to the website when they occur. Interested parties are encouraged to periodically check the website for updates and amendments.

### 2. Content and Format of Submissions

#### a. General Information

All submissions will be protected from unauthorized disclosure in accordance with FAR Subpart 15.207, applicable law, and DoD/DoN regulations. Offerors shall appropriately mark each page of their submission that contains any proprietary information.

Titles given to the submissions should be descriptive of the work they cover and not be merely a copy of the title of this announcement.

#### b. Security Classification

White Papers and Proposals submitted under this BAA are expected to be unclassified; however, classified proposals are permitted. If a classified proposal is submitted and selected for award, the resultant contract will be unclassified. An 'unclassified' Statement of Work (SOW) must accompany any classified proposal.

Classified proposals shall be submitted directly to the attention of SSP's Document Control Unit at the following address and marked in the following manner:

OUTSIDE ENVELOPE - **(no classification marking)**:

Program Name: SPN OPNAV
Strategic Systems Programs, SP33
ATTN: SPHQ Command Security
1250 10th Street SE, Suite 3600
Washington, DC 20374

The inner wrapper of the classified White Paper and/or Full Proposal should be addressed to the attention of SSP Code SPN01, SPN30, or SPN310 and marked in the following manner:

INNER ENVELOPE - **(stamped with the overall classification of the material)**

Program Name: SPN OPNAV
Strategic Systems Programs
ATTN: SPN01, SPN30, or SPN310
1250 10th Street SE, Suite 3600
Washington, DC 20374

Transmission Method:

Top Secret – Defense Courier Service (DCS)
Secret – DCS, Registered, and/or Express

**c. Non-Proprietary Statement of Work**

For all proposals, a non-proprietary version of the Statement of Work must also be submitted. Do not put proprietary data or markings in or on the Statement of Work.

For proposals containing data that the offeror does not want disclosed to the public for any purpose, or used by the Government except for evaluation purposes, the contractor shall mark the title page with the following legend:

*"This proposal includes data that shall not be disclosed outside the Government and shall not be duplicated, used, or disclosed--in whole or in part--for any purpose other than to evaluate the proposal. If, however, a contract is awarded to this offeror as a result of--or in connection with-- the*

*submission of this data, the Government shall have the right to duplicate, use, or disclose the data to the extent provided in the resulting contract. This restriction does not limit the Government's right to use information contained in this data if is obtained from another source without restriction. The data subject to this restriction are contained in (insert numbers or other identification of sheets)*."

Each sheet of data that the offeror wishes to restrict must be marked with the following legend:

*"Use or disclosure of data contained on this sheet is subject to the restriction on the title page of this proposal."*

**d. White Paper Requirements.**

i. White Paper Format

- Paper Size – 8.5 x 11-inch paper
- Margins – 1 inch
- Spacing –single-spaced
- Font – Times New Roman, 12 point
- Page limit– 5 pages excluding cover page.

ii. White Paper Submissions

White paper must be at least Microsoft Word 2016 or PDF compatible format. There is an email size limit of 10MB per email.

Electronic submissions of white papers shall be sent to the following email account of BOTH christopher.gaines@ssp.navy.mil and david.shriner@ssp.navy.mil.**Only electronic submissions will be accepted and reviewed**.

iii. White Paper Content: White papers shall include the following:

Cover Page (MANDATORY): The Cover Page shall include the following; submission type (General BAA Whitepaper or Call Specific BAA Whitepaper), Project Title, Business Name (US Performer or non-US Performer designated), Unique Entity ID (UEI), Business Point of Contact (POC), Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) Total Amount, Proposed Start Date, and Short Project Description (500 characters or less). In the case of Call Specific BAA White Papers, the Call Number is also required.

- Technical Concept: A description of the technology innovation and technical risk areas.

- Operational Naval Concept (where applicable) – A description of the

project objectives, the concept of operation for the new capabilities to be delivered, and the expected operational performance improvements.

- Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) cost estimate.

**e. Full Proposals Requirements**: See Appendix 1 for proposal instructions.

**3. Unique Entity Identifier and System for Award Management (SAM)** - All offerors submitting proposals must:

**a.** Be registered in the SAM prior to submission;
**b.** Provide a valid Unique Entity ID (UEI) in its submittal; and
**c.** Maintain an active SAM registration with current information at all times during which it has an active Federal award or proposal under consideration by a Federal awarding agency;

SAM may be accessed at https://sam.gov/content/home

A Federal awarding agency may not make a Federal award to an offeror until the offeror has complied with all applicable UEI and SAM requirements and, if an offeror has not fully complied with the requirements by the time the Federal awarding agency is ready to make a Federal award, the Federal awarding agency may determine that the offeror is not qualified to receive a Federal award and use that determination as a basis for making a Federal award to another offeror.

**4. Other Submission Requirements**: See Appendix 1 for proposal instructions.

**5. Award Criteria**. Awards under this BAA will be made in accordance with FAR 35.016(e). The primary basis for selecting proposals for acceptance will be technical merit, importance to agency programs, and funds availability. To the extent appropriate, cost realism and reasonableness will also be considered when selecting proposals. SSP reserves the right to request and require any additional information and documentation after it makes the type of award instrument determination. SSP reserves the right to remove Offerors from award consideration when the parties fail to reach agreement on award terms, conditions, and cost/price within a reasonable time, or when the Offeror fails to timely provide requested or required additional information.

Offeror's white papers and full proposals will be evaluated against the following criteria:

**a.** Overall scientific and technical merits of the proposal and responsiveness to the topic, i.e., the degree of innovation, soundness of technical concept, Offeror's awareness of the state of the art and understanding of the scope of the problem, significance and originality of the technical approach and effort needed to address/solve the problem, and anticipated scientific impact within the field. The following areas will also be considered:

i. The Offeror's (A) capabilities, related experience, facilities, techniques or unique combinations of these that are integral factors for achieving the proposal objectives, and (B) the qualifications, capabilities and experience of the proposed Principal Investigator (PI), team leader and key personnel who are critical to achieving the proposal objectives.

ii. Potential Naval relevance and contribution to the Undersea Security Program and Department of Navy's mission. As part of the Naval relevance criteria, in accordance with the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for FY 2019, Section 1286, as amended by Section 1299C of the NDAA for 2021, SSP will consider the protection of intellectual property, controlled information, key personnel, and information about critical technologies relevant to national security and limit undue influence, including foreign talent programs by countries that desire to exploit United States' technology within the DoD research, science and technology, and innovation enterprise. Consideration will be given to improper technology transfer, intellectual property theft, or cyber or human espionage, entities known to recruit foreign individuals for the purpose of transferring knowledge, provide misleading information or attempt to conceal the connections of an individual or institution or pose a serious risk of improper technology transfer of data, technology, or research that is not published or publicly available.

iii. The availability of funds. (*Not applicable to white papers.*) In addition, per NDAA 2021 Section 1062, beginning October 1, 2024, DoD may not fund institutions of higher education (as defined by 20 USC 1002) that host a Confucius Institute, other than amounts provided directly to students as education assistance, unless a waiver is provided. A Confucius Institute is defined as a cultural institute directly or indirectly funded by the Government of the People's Republic of China.

Criteria i, ii and iii are equally important.

## 6. Review and Selection Process

### a. Evaluation

Proposals will not be evaluated against each other since they are not submitted in accordance with a common work statement. SSP's intent is to review all proposals received as soon as possible after they arrive; however, proposals may be reviewed periodically for administrative reasons.

The ultimate recommendation for award of proposals is made by the Undersea Security Program's scientific/technical community. Recommended proposals will then be forwarded to the SSP Contracts office. The SSP Contracting Officer will provide a notification that a full proposal has been recommended. Any notification received from SSP that indicates that the Offeror's full proposal has been recommended does not ultimately guarantee an award will be made. This notice indicates that the proposal has been selected in accordance with the evaluation criteria stated above and has been sent to the Contracting Department to conduct

cost analysis, determine the offeror's responsibility, to confirm whether funds are available, and to take other relevant steps necessary prior to making an award. When applicable, certain offerors may be required to demonstrate compliance/the ability to comply with enhanced cybersecurity requirements prior to award. Refer to Appendix 1, Federal Award Administration Information, of this BAA for information.

**b. Commitment to Small Business**

The Strategic Systems Programs is strongly committed to providing meaningful prime and subcontracting opportunities for small businesses, small disadvantaged businesses (SDBs), woman-owned small businesses (WOSBs), historically underused business zone (HUB Zone) small businesses, veteran-owned small business (VOSBs), service disabled veteran-owned small businesses (SDVOSBs), historically black colleges and universities, and minority institutions, and other concerns subject to socioeconomic considerations through its awards.

Businesses unfamiliar with doing business with the Government and that require procurement technical assistance may contact the state-specific Department of Defense (DoD) APEX Accelerators. DoD APEX Accelerators serve as a resource for businesses pursuing and performing under contracts with DoD, other federal agencies, state and local governments and with government prime contractors. Assistance provided by the APEX Accelerators is usually free of charge. Support includes registration in systems such as SAM, identification of contract opportunities, understanding requirements, preparing, and submitting proposals. The APEX Accelerators have a presence in each state, Puerto Rico and Guam.

To locate a local APEX Accelerator visit:

https://www.apexaccelerators.us/#/

i. Subcontracting Plan:

For proposed contract awards exceeding $900,000, large businesses and non-profits (including educational institutions) shall provide a Subcontracting Plan (hereafter known as 'the Plan') that contains all elements required by FAR 19.704, FAR 52.219-9, and as supplemented by DFARS 252.219-7003.

NOTE: Small businesses are exempt from this requirement to submit a subcontracting plan.

The Plan must be submitted as an attachment to the Proposal (or Whitepaper) and will not be included in the page count. If a company has a Master or Individual Subcontracting Plan, as described in FAR 19.701 or a Comprehensive Subcontracting Plan, as described in DFARS 219.702, a copy of the Plan shall also be submitted as an attachment to the Proposal (or

Whitepaper).

Plans will be reviewed for adequacy, ensuring that the required information, goals, and assurances are included. FAR 19.702 requires an apparent successful offeror to submit an acceptable Plan. If the apparent successful offeror fails to negotiate a Plan acceptable to the contracting officer within the time limit prescribed by the contracting officer, the offeror will be ineligible for award.

Offerors shall propose a plan that ensures small businesses (inclusive of SDBs, WOSBs, HUBZone, VOSBs and SDVOSBs) will have the maximum practicable opportunity to participate in contract performance consistent with efficient performance.

Offerors shall, to the best extent possible, propose realistic goals to ensure opportunities for small business participation to the maximum extent possible. The DoD Office of Small Business Program website at: https://business.defense.gov/ provides current DoD subcontracting goals. If proposed goals do not contain positive goals, or the Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB) goals are below 5%, then the offeror shall include in the Plan a viable written explanation as to why small businesses are unable to be used and what attempts were taken to ensure that small business were given the opportunity to participate in the effort to the maximum extent practicable.

ii. Subcontracting Resources:

Subcontracting to a prime contractor can be a good way to participate in the contracting process. The following is a list of potential resources that may assist in locating potential subcontracting partners/opportunities/resources:

- Dynamic Small Business Search (https://search.certifications.sba.gov/)
- Contracting Opportunities in https://www.sam.gov/content/opportunities
- Navy SBIR/STTR Search – Website or Brochure (https://www.navysbir.com)
- DoD Procurement Technical Assistance Centers, APEX Accelerators (https://www.apexaccelerators.us/#/)
- U.S. Small Business Administration Subcontracting Network (Subnet) (https://legacy.sba.gov/federal-contracting/contracting-guide/prime-subcontracting/subcontracting-opportunities)
- USAspending.gov @ https://www.usaspending.gov
- DAU Small Business Community of Practice (SB COP) (https://www.dau.edu/cop/sb/Pages/Default.aspx)
- DefenseLink ≥ $7.5 M Award Notices (https://www.defense.gov/Newsroom/Contracts/)

In accordance with FAR 5.206, the following entities may transmit a notice to the Government wide Point of Entry (GPE) at https://sam.gov/content/home to seek competition for

subcontracts, to increase participation by qualified small businesses, VOSBs, SDVOSBs, HUBZones, SDBs, and WOSBs, and to meet established subcontracting plan goal as follows:

(1) A contractor awarded a contract exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold that is likely to result in the award of any subcontracts;

(2) A subcontractor or supplier, at any tier, under a contract exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold, which has a subcontracting opportunity exceeding $20,000.

The notices must describe:

(a) The business opportunity;
(b) Any prequalification requirements; and
(c) Where to obtain technical data needed to respond to the requirement.

**c. Options** – The Government will evaluate options for award purposes by adding the total cost for all options to the total cost for the basic requirement. Evaluation of options will not obligate the Government to exercise the options during contract performance. The Government reserves the right to exercise options at time of award.

**d. Evaluation Panel** – White Papers and technical and cost proposals submitted under this BAA will be protected from unauthorized disclosure in accordance with FAR 3.104-4 and 15.207. The cognizant Program Officer and other Government scientific experts will perform the evaluation of white papers and technical proposals. Restrictive notices notwithstanding, one or more support contractors may be used for administrative purposes or as subject-matter-expert technical consultants. However, selection and award decisions are solely the responsibility of Government personnel. Each support contractor's employee having access to white papers and technical and cost proposals submitted in response to this BAA will be required to sign the SSP Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) for Contractor Support prior to receipt of any submissions. This NDA includes third-party beneficiary language giving the submitter of proprietary information a right of direct action against the contractor employee and/or his/her employer in the event that the NDA is violated. Firms listed below are the employers, CAGE codes, that may be used as advisors during review of white papers, technical proposals and cost proposals.

**i. Booz Allen Hamilton Inc. (17038)**

**7. Contractor Qualifications**

a. See Appendix 1 for instructions for Contracts.

## E. Federal Award Administration Information

### 1. Federal Award Notices

All offerors will receive a notification email advising if their proposal has been selected or not selected for recommendation for award.

Offerors whose proposals are recommended for award may be contacted by a Contract Specialist to discuss additional information required for award. This may include representations and certifications, revised budgets, budget explanations, certificate of current cost or pricing data, subcontracting plan for small businesses, and/or other information as applicable to the proposed award.

The notification e-mail must not be regarded as an authorization to commit or expend funds. The Government is not obligated to provide any funding until a Government Contracting Officer signs the award document.

Only an award document signed by the Contracting Officer is the official go-ahead to commence the research project.

Strategic Systems Programs (SSP) award/modification documents are only available via the Department of Defense (DoD) Electronic Document Access System (EDA) within the Procurement Integrated Enterprise Environment (PIEE) (https://piee.eb.mil)

## 2. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

### a. Applicable to All Awards

*i. Export Control:*

Offerors are responsible for ensuring compliance with all U.S. export control laws and regulations, including the International Traffic in Arms Regulation (ITAR)(22 CFR Parts 120 -130) and Export Administration Regulation (EAR) (15 CFR Parts 730 – 774), as applicable. In some cases, developmental items funded by the Department of Defense are now included on the United States Munition List (USML) (22 CFR Part 121) and are therefore subject to ITAR jurisdiction. In other cases, items that were previously included on the USML have been moved to the EAR Commerce Control List (CCL). Offerors should address in their proposals whether ITAR or EAR restrictions apply to the work they are proposing to perform for SSP. The ITAR and EAR are available online at http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/ECFR?page=browse. Additional information regarding the President's Export Control Reform Initiative can be found at https://www.trade.gov/us-export-licenses-navigating-issues-and-resources.

Offerors must comply with all U.S. export control laws and regulations, including the ITAR and EAR, in the performance of any contract award resulting from this BAA. Offerors shall be responsible for obtaining any required licenses or other approvals, or license exemptions or exceptions if applicable, for exports of hardware, technical data, and software (including deemed exports), or for the provision of technical assistance.

*ii. Security Classification*:

If it is determined that access to classified information will be required during the performance of an award, a Department of Defense (DD) Form 254 will be attached to the award, and FAR

52.204-2 - Security Requirements will be incorporated into the contract.

3. **Reporting**:

See Appendix 1 for reporting requirements for Awarding Agency Contacts.

4. **Communications**:

**a.** All UNCLASSIFIED communications shall be submitted via e-mail to the Contracting Officer.

**b.** CLASSIFIED questions shall be handled through the SSP Security POC. Specifically, any entity wanting to ask a CLASSIFIED question shall send an UNCLASSIFIED email to the SSP Security POC with a copy to the Contracting Officer stating that the entity would like to ask a CLASSIFIED question. DO NOT EMAIL ANY CLASSIFIED QUESTIONS. The Security POC will contact the entity and arrange for the CLASSIFIED question to be asked through a secure method of communication.

5. **Questions of a Technical nature** should be submitted to the Contracting Officer. The Contracting Officer has the sole responsibility of fielding technical questions on behalf of SSP.

6. **Questions of a Business nature, regarding Contract proposal submissions, or suggestions for improvement**, should be submitted to:

David Shriner, Contracting Officer
Strategic Systems Programs, SPN310
1250 10th Street SE, Suite 3600
Washington, DC 20374
Email Address: david.shriner@ssp.navy.mil

Christopher Gaines, Contracts Specialist
Strategic Systems Programs, SPN311
1250 10th Street SE, Suite 3600
Washington, DC 20374
Email Address: christopher.gaines@ssp.navy.mil

7. **Questions of a Security nature** should be submitted to:

Industrial Security Specialist Strategic
Systems Programs, SP332
1250 10th Street SE, Suite 3600
Washington, DC 20374

Email Address: SPHQAccess@ssp.navy.mil