

## Welcome to the CNS Partners in Excellence Workshop

**Event Topics**: Defense Priorities Allocation System, Buyers Panel & Breakout Session, Upcoming Projects Opportunities

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We Will Begin Shortly

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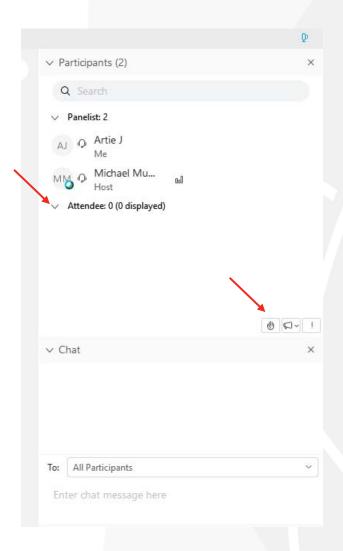
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  - If you wish to view other Attendees, select the blue "View All Attendees" button located under your name in the Attendees section of the list
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    - Note: During our Q&A Session, questions should be sent to <u>all Panelists</u>. If questions are sent to another individual or group in the Chat menu, they may not be seen.

## **Safety is Our Top Priority**

## **Safety Message: Health and Safety**

- Personal Health is an important factor in ensuring your safety
  - Sleep is vital to our overall health
  - Adults need an average of 7 to 9 hours of sleep each night it is reported that 30% report averaging less than 6 hours
  - · Chronic sleep-deprivation causes depression, obesity, cardiovascular disease and other illness.
    - Fatigue is estimated to cost employers \$136 billion a year in health-related lost productivity
    - More than 70 million Americans suffer from a sleep disorder



- Personal exercise helps promote good sleep
  - Working when tired can lead to more errors or distracted thinking
- Exercise increases metabolism and jump starts brain chemistry
  - Increases energy and focus so you are less likely to make errors or overlook details.

# **Workshop Agenda**

| Time<br>(EDT) | Time<br>(CST) |  |  |
|---------------|---------------|--|--|
| 2:00 p.m.     | 1:00<br>p.m.  | Welcome & Opening Comments                             | Randy Crawford, Pantex Small Business Program Manager  |
| 2:10 p.m.     | 1:10<br>p.m.  | DPAS Basics: Defense Priorities and Allocations System | Drake Russell, National Nuclear Security Administration  |
|               |               | Question & Answer                                      | Greta Ownby, Y-12 Small Business Program Manager   |
| 2:40 p.m.     | 1:40<br>p.m.  | Buyers' Panel  | Greta Ownby, Moderator  Buyers: Melinda Durden, Matt James, Justin Schenk,  Matt Whitlow, Tyler Albracht, David Rook |
| 2:55 p.m.     | 1:55<br>p.m.  | Breakout Sessions with Buyers (6 groups)               |  |
| 3:20 p.m.     | 2:20<br>p.m.  | CNS Project Opportunities                              | Kim Irwin, CNS Senior Director Projects  |
|               |               | Question & Answer                                      | Randy Crawford   |
| 3:50 p.m.     | 2:50<br>p.m.  | Closing Comments – Jason Eaton                         | Jason Eaton, CNS Senior Director Supply Chain Management   |



# **DPAS Basics Defense Priorities Allocation System**

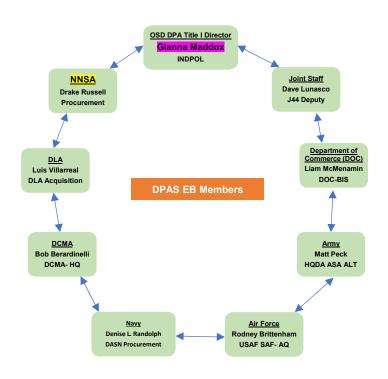
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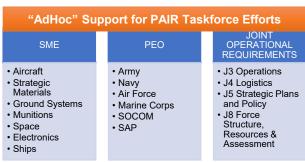
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# **DPAS Enterprise Board (EB)**



The DPAS Enterprise Board meets regularly to address DPAS related issues. Because of potential overlaps within the Defense Industrial Base, it is important to communicate between Service partners to ensure DPAS matters are being addressed at the appropriate level.



# **DPAS Authority Basics**

- DPAS is a Presidential Authority
- Title 1 of the Defense Production Act:
- The Department of Commerce Essentially Owns DPAS.
- Priorities and Allocation allows the President to require persons (including businesses and corporations) to <u>prioritize</u> and <u>accept</u> contracts for materials and supplies as necessary to promote the national defense (DO & DX).
- Preferential acceptance and performance of contracts or orders supporting certain approved national defense and energy programs.
- To allocate materials, services, and facilities in such a manner as to promote these approved programs.
- DO Rated Orders (Department of Commerce).
- DX Rated Orders (DOD controls this area).



# You Have Already Done this, Right...?

- Any person who places or receives a rated order should be thoroughly familiar with, and must comply with, the provisions of 15 CFR 700
- Contractors/manufacturers should ensure that DPAS is integrated into their Production Planning and Control System in order to be in compliance with the requirements of rated orders.
- If you are NEW to DPAS ask for Training, discuss the requirements.
- When your have questions <u>PICK up the phone</u> and call your <u>POC</u> and discuss the proper solution. Then follow up with an email...!

# What is, or makes up a Rated Order 1

- A rated order is a prime contract, a subcontract, or a purchase order issued in accordance with the provisions of the DPAS regulation that supports an approved program(s).
- <u>U.S. companies are required by law to accept "rated orders"</u> and provide preferential scheduling, if necessary, **to meet required delivery date(s).** Negotiate LIVE.
- You are required to supply, Two Years after last made, if it was a previously rated order...
- Rated orders take preference over all unrated orders as necessary to meet required delivery dates; therefore, persons are required to reschedule unrated orders if they conflict with performance against a rated order.
- Companies who receive rated orders must in turn place rated orders with their suppliers for the items they need to fill these orders as agreed to.

# What is, or makes up a Rated Order 2

- The appropriate priority rating must be used. The Prime Contract is Appropriately Rated, the purchase "generally" order carries the official rating.
- The <u>authorized</u> written signature on a manually placed order, or the digital <u>signature</u> or name on an electronically placed order, of an individual <u>authorized</u> to sign rated orders for the person placing AND receiving the order. The Buyer and Seller AGREE...
  - > Specific Quantities must be stated.
  - > Specific Delivery Date(s) must be stated.
  - > Specific Delivery Location(s) must be stated.
- STATED in Writing: This is a rated order certified for national defense use, and you are required to follow all the provisions of the Energy Priorities and Allocations System regulation at 10 CFR part 217. Or.
- This rated order is placed for the purpose of emergency preparedness. It must be accepted or ejected within 2 days after receipt of the order if (1) The order is issued in response to a hazard that has occurred; or (2) If the order is issued to prepare for an imminent hazard, as specified.
- NNSA and their Contractors must follow up with their vendors timely.

# What is, or makes up a Rated Order 3

- DO has 15 days to be signed or rejected, a **DX** has 10 days.
- Rated Orders may not be placed on commercially available items. For delivery earlier than needed or in greater quantities than immediately needed.
- Rated Orders must be signed by both Parties.
- Must have stated or specific quantities. <del>TBD</del>
- A Certification Statement, that this order is Rated.
- \*- ASAP This is **NOT** Allowed. A specific delivery date is required.

# Preferential Scheduling

- Once a company has accepted a rated order, it must then schedule operations, including the acquisition of all needed production items, in order to satisfy the delivery requirements of each rated order.
- Companies are required to reschedule unrated orders if they conflict with performance against a rated order and must reschedule DO rated orders if they conflict with performance against a DX rated order.
- How Do You Reschedule, Talk to the Vendor and <u>negotiate with all</u> <u>parties</u>.
  - Pick up the phone and have the conversation...
- The DPAS regulation (15 CFR § 700.14) describes the requirements for preferential scheduling in further detail.

# **Definitions and Use**

- Person any individual, corporation, partnership, association, or any other organized group of persons, or legal successor or representative thereof.
- Approved program A program determined as necessary or appropriate for priorities and allocations support to promote the national defense by the Secretary of Defense.
- Delegate Agency A government agency authorized by delegation from the Department of Commerce to place priority ratings on contracts or orders needed to support approved programs.

# **Definitions and Use**

- Rated order A prime contract, a subcontract, or a purchase order in support of an approved program issued in accordance with the provisions of 15 CFR 700.
- DO vs DX
- Defense Production Act the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended
- National Defense Includes programs for <u>military</u> and <u>energy</u> production or construction, military or critical infrastructure assistance to any foreign nation, homeland security, stockpiling, space, and any <u>directly related activity</u>. See Also FAR Part 6.302.

# **DPAS** Discussions

- DPAS: DOC and DOD Updates are almost completed. Some minor changes expected to the authorities.
- Future Formal Training is pending, likely spring/summer 2022.
- What and how do you handle conflict...?
- Other Problems.
- When to elevate, this will cause many headaches for ALL......



**Question and Answer Session** 



# **Buyers Panel**

# Melinda Durden, Y-12

## **Get Your Company on a Bid List**

- Have a good website that includes a detailed list of services
- List and Promote Socio-economic Status
- Get a Dun & Bradstreet Number (DUNS)
- Contact Information
  - Point of Contact Name, Email and Phone
  - Company address
- Keep SAM Registration Up-to-Date

# Matt James, Y-12

**Basic Requirements for Doing Business with CNS** 

- Obtain a Dun and Bradstreet number
- Registered in SAM.gov
- Ensure company information is in the Small Business
   Administration (SBA) Dynamic Small Business Search (DSBS)
- Review Upcoming Major Procurements

## **Justin Schenk, Pantex**

Top three things that will get your bid disqualified

- 1. <u>Incomplete proposal</u> Ensure your proposal meets the requirements in the SOW and contains all the necessary forms and documentation.
- 2. Not attending the Pre-bid meeting Many RFPs require attendance of the Pre-bid meeting in order to submit a bid.
- 3. <u>Exceptions/Exclusions</u> Bidder includes exceptions or exclusions that cannot be met by CNS.

# **Matt Whitlow, Y-12**

Top three things that will get your bid reviewed

- 1. <u>Complete Proposal</u> all requested information is included and is clearly and professionally communicated
- 2. <u>Timely submissions and responses to questions/inquiries</u> respond before deadlines; don't be the reason for a delay in the decision making process
- 3. Be a good match for the procurement don't bid on something if it is not your product or service

# Tyler Albracht, Pantex

#### The Procurement Process

- The Procurement Process is defined by 6 different phases: Presolicitation; Solicitation; Proposal Evaluation; Subcontract Award; Subcontract Administration; Subcontract Modification; and Subcontract Closeout
- Vendors will be involved starting at the Solicitation stage. \*NOTEnot all procurements will include all 6 phases.
- The procurement process is varied depending on the work being performed. (i.e. the process for purchasing a COTS item is a lot more streamlined than a multi-million dollar construction project).

# David Rook, Y-12

## Communicating with Buyers...

#### What works:

- Email
  - Send an introduction email.
  - Be clear and concise.
  - Use a brief, accurate subject line to sum up the focus of the email
  - Follow Up with the appropriate Supervisor if needed
- Phone
  - Make sure you are using the appropriate telephone number.
  - Keep in mind that some things may not be able to be discussed on the phone (UCNI, OUO, etc.)
- Webex

#### What does not work:

- Mass emails or surveys
- Courtesy copy on irrelevant emails
- Emails that include links to company information



## **Breakout Session**



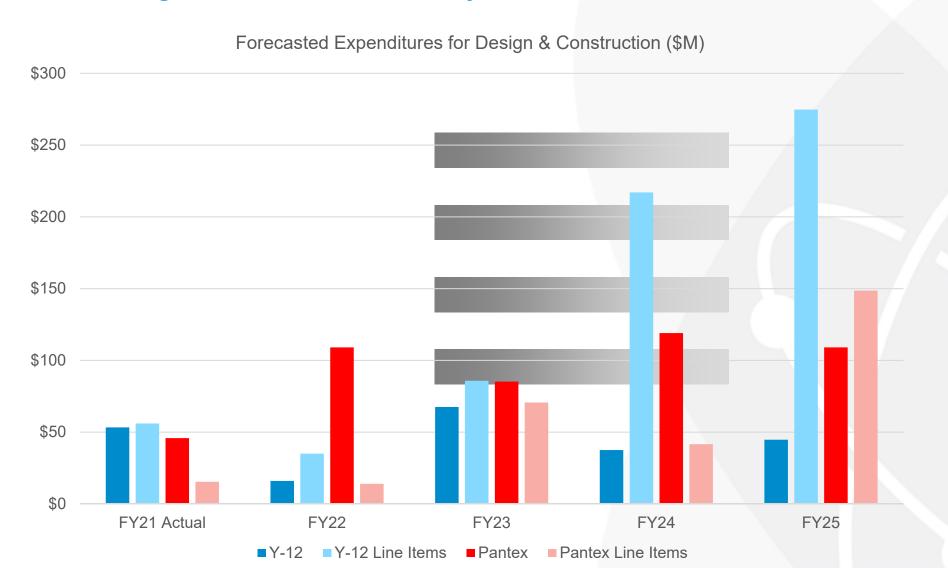


# **CNS Project Opportunities**

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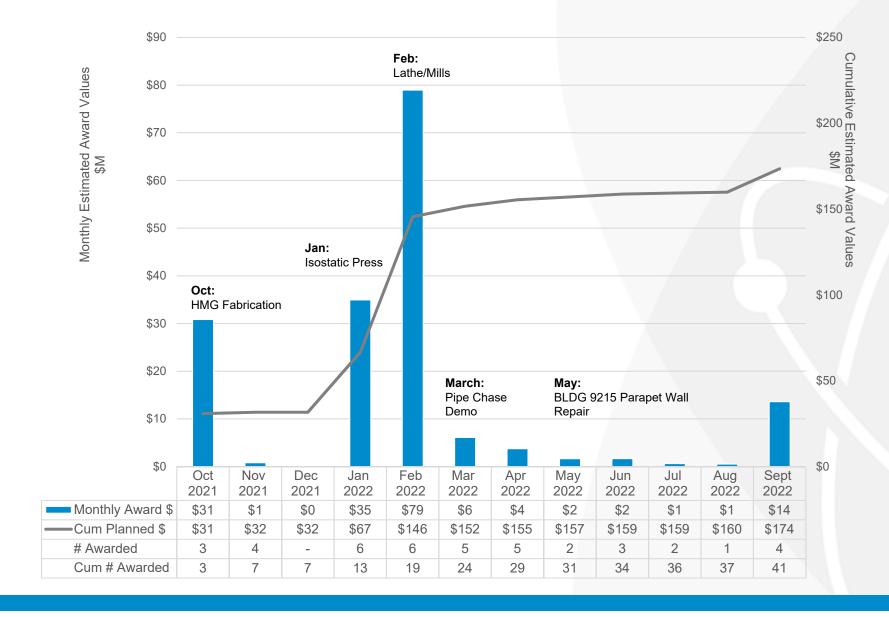


## FY21 through FY25 Pantex & Y-12 Projections



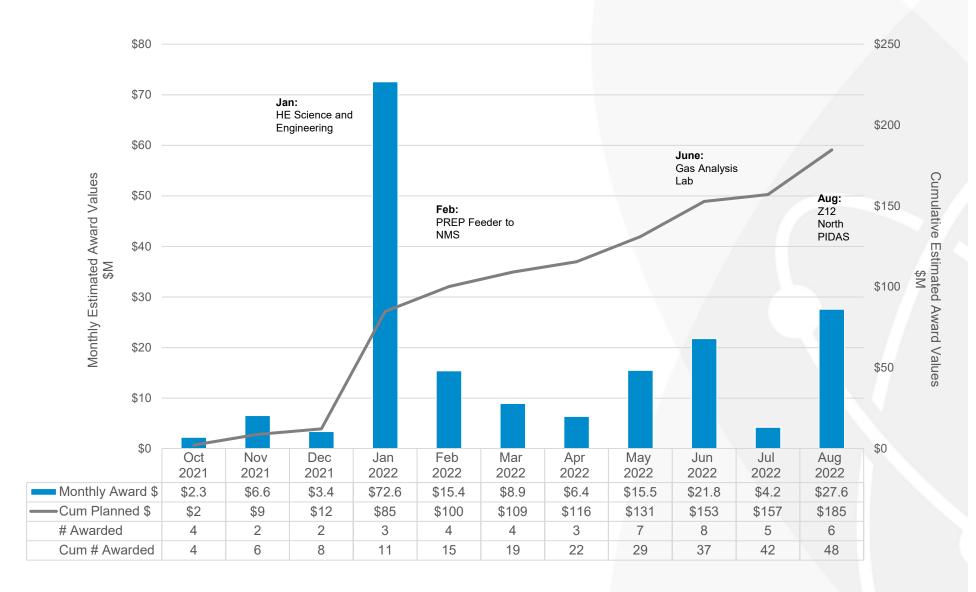
#### Y-12 FY22 Procurement Awards

> 41 contract awards for equipment, design and construction are forecasted in FY22 estimated at \$174M



#### **Pantex FY22 Procurement Awards**

48 contract awards for equipment, design and construction contracts projected for FY22 estimated at \$185M



## **Pantex Construction Opportunities**

#### Pantex Mission

As the cornerstone of the nation's Nuclear Security Enterprise, Pantex applies unique capabilities to ensure the effectiveness of the U.S. nuclear stockpile in support of the Nation's nuclear deterrent. We accomplish this through executing nuclear explosive assembly and disassembly, special nuclear material testing and evaluations, and manufacturing and assessing high explosives at our historic site.

#### Opportunities

The government has begun the revitalization of the Pantex infrastructure and is committed to continuance of the revitalization in support of the nuclear security mission

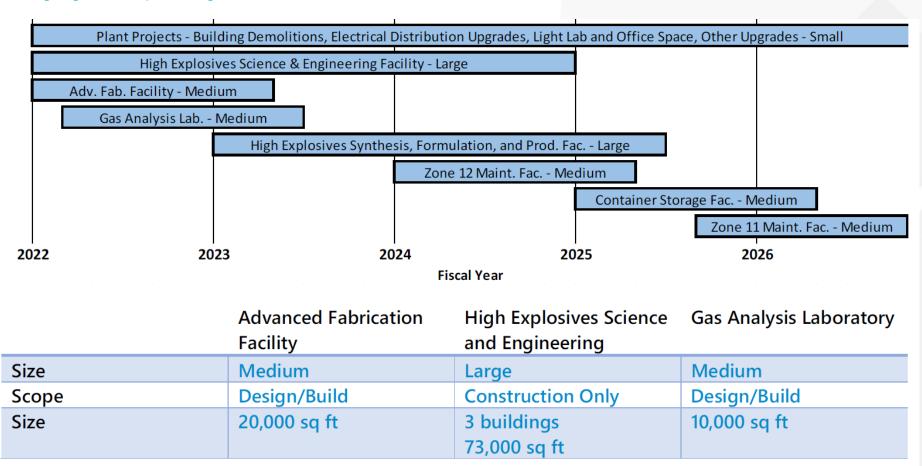
That revitalization requires a strong partnership with the private sector

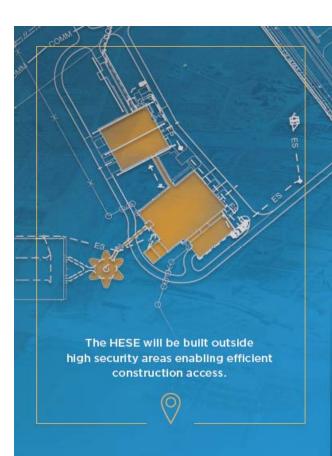
The opportunity for this partnership is significant and sustained



#### **Pantex Construction Opportunities (cont.)**

Highlights of Upcoming Work







Main Works Construction Contract Value



FY 2025

Scheduled start of operations 4Q

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# Building an Enduring Future

HIGH EXPLOSIVES SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FACILITY (HESE)







#### MISSION NEED

The Pantex Plant's unique high explosive (HE) production operations are currently performed in more than a dozen facilities, which average 58 years old and are far beyond design life, lack current life safety code compliance, and increasingly threaten mission accomplishment. The High Explosive Science and Engineering (HESE) facility will replace these structures to support critical HE production.



#### MAIN WORKS CONTRACT SCOPE

The HESE facility will replace numerous aging facilities that support HE operations, develop and sustain high-quality scientific staff and supporting computational and experimental capabilities, and support development of additional evaluation and diagnostic tools.



#### **PROJECT STATUS**

HESE approved for site preparation activities in November 2020. Notice to Proceed with Main Facility construction is planned for the end of 2021.



# 72,762ft<sup>2</sup>

#### HE Lab 27,420ft<sup>2</sup>

- · Equipment and facility to support
- HE scientific testing

#### HE Staging

#### 352ft<sup>2</sup>

- Equipment and facility to support
- HE temporary storage

Technology Development and Deployment Laboratory

#### 38,487ft<sup>2</sup>

 Space for technology development and deployment personnel





Question and Answer Session – CNS Project Opportunities



## **Closing Comments**

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