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## **Official transmittal letter**

The transmittal letter should identify the BAA number, the proposal by name, and the organizations proposal reference number (if any), and should be signed by an individual who is authorized to submit proposals to the Government.

# 1 Statement of Work (SOW)

In plain English, clearly define the technical tasks/subtasks to be performed, their durations, and dependencies among them. The SOW page length will depend on the amount of effort. For each task/subtask, provide: 1. A general description of the objective (for each defined task/activity); 2. A detailed description of the approach to be taken to accomplish each defined task/activity; 3. Identification of the primary organization responsible for task execution (prime, sub, team member, by name, etc.); 4. The completion criteria for each task/activity - a product, event or milestone that defines its completion; 5. Define all deliverables (reporting, data, reports, software, etc.) to be provided to the Government in support of the proposed research tasks/activities; See Section I.F. 6. Identify whether government-furnished equipment is requested (see I.G) and, if so, the required quantity and delivery schedule; 7. Clearly identify any Risk Reduction tasks (see II.D, below); AND 8. Clearly identify any tasks/subtasks (prime or subcontracted) that will be accomplished on-campus at a university. Note: Each program phase must be separately defined in the SOW. Include a SOW for each subcontractor and/or consultant in the Cost Proposal Volume. Do not include any proprietary information in the SOW(s).

# 2 Innovative Claims

Succinctly describe the uniqueness and benefits of the proposed approach relative to current state-of-art alternate approaches.

# 3 Detailed Technical Approach

previous work on magnetometers

[11] Magnetic sensors and their applications

[15] A compact, high performance atomic magnetometer for biomedical applications

[16] The design, fabrication and evaluation of a MEMS PZT cantilever with an integrated Si proof mass for vibration energy harvesting

[3] Magnetism and magnetic materials

[14] Fundamental mode orthogonal fluxgate gradiometer

[13] Orthogonal fluxgate mechanism operated with dc biased excitation

[19] Highly sensitive CMOS magnetoimpedance sensor using miniature multi-core head based on amorphous wire

magneto reception in nature

[7] The physics and neurobiology of magnetoreception

[4] A radical sense of direction: signalling and mechanism in cryptochrome magnetoreception

[6] Pulsed-field-remnance measurements on individual magnetotactic bacteria

[5] Magnetic characterization of isolated candidate vertebrate magnetoreceptor cells

[8] Magnetite-based magnetoreception

our approach

[20] Resonant frequencies of a rectangular cantilever beam immersed in a fluid

[2] mag mems

[1] A magnetic nanocomposite for biomimetic flow sensing

- [17] 27 pT Silicon Nitride MEMS Magnetometer for Brain Imaging
- [10] 3D micromechanical compass
- [9] Ultra sensitive Lorentz force MEMS magnetometer with pico-tesla limit of detection
- [18] Parametrically amplified MEMS magnetometer
- [12] Fundamental noise limit of piezoelectric accelerometer

This is the centerpiece of the proposal and should provide a detailed description of the proposed technology, including analysis and modeling where available, to substantiate the innovative claims of Section II.B.

This section must include a proposed milestone table and performance objectives, by phase, similar to Table 1 of this BAA. Proposals should clearly explain the technical approach that will be employed to meet or exceed each program metric and provide ample justification as to why the approach is feasible. Where applicable, analysis should include concise performance budget tables, e.g. for contributory error or power budget elements.

## **4 Risk Analysis and Mitigation Plan**

Identify the major technical and programmatic risks in the program. Include a risk matrix. For each risk, assign a probability of occurrence on a scale of 1-10, where 10 indicates a high likelihood that the risk will impact program success, as well as an assessment of impact, also on a scale of 1-10, where 10 indicates that this risk would maximally limit the program from delivering prototypes on schedule or meeting performance objectives. For each item with total risk (likelihood  $\times$  impact) exceeding 40, include a plan for mitigating the risk and assessing risk reduction. Where necessary, parallel risk reduction tasks may be proposed, e.g. concurrent development of redundant techniques or components. The proposal must differentiate the primary technical path from risk reduction tasks, which should be uniquely identified in the SOW and separately costed as optional tasks in Volume II.

## **5 Schedule and Milestones**

Include a high-level Gantt chart outlining major technical tasks and measureable milestones by phase. At a minimum, the schedule should include each SOW task of Volume 1, Section II.A. Where risk reduction tasks are proposed, the schedule should include a milestone for assessment and removal of redundant tasks.

## **6 Test Plan**

Describe how compliance with the proposed metrics and milestones will be demonstrated in each phase of the program. The test plan should be structured so that compliant performance can be verified prior to delivery of hardware for government test and evaluation.

## **7 Results and Technology Transfer**

Description of the results, products, transferable technology, and expected technology transfer. This should also address mitigation of life-cycle and sustainment risks associated with transition-

ing intellectual property for U.S. military applications, if applicable. See also Section IV.B.10, Intellectual Property.

## **8 Ongoing Research**

Comparison with other ongoing research indicating advantages and disadvantages of the proposed effort.

## **9 Proposer Accomplishments**

Discussion of proposers previous accomplishments and work in closely related research areas. In this section, also include any ongoing research projects or pending proposal activity that technically overlaps with the proposed effort, including funding source, administrative point of contact, and the program management plan for combining and de-conflicting the efforts.

## **10 Facilities**

Description of the facilities that will be used for the proposed effort.

## **11 Teaming**

Description of the formal teaming agreements that are required to execute this program. Describe the programmatic relationship between investigators and the rationale for choosing this teaming strategy. Present a coherent organization chart and integrated management strategy for the program team. For each person, indicate: (1) name, (2) affiliation, (3) abbreviated listing of all technical area tasks they will work on with roles, responsibilities, and percent time indicated, (4) discussion of the proposers previous accomplishments, relevant expertise and/or unique capabilities.

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**Place(s) and period(s) of performance**

**Total proposed cost** separated by basic award and option(s), if any, by calendar year and by government fiscal year

**Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) administration office (if known)** Name, address, and telephone number

**Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) audit office (if known)** Name, address, and telephone number

**Date proposal was prepared**

**DUNS**

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**CAGE**

**Subcontractor Information**

**Proposal validity period** (120 days is recommended)

**Any Forward Pricing Rate Agreement** other such approved rate information, or such documentation that may assist in expediting negotiations (if available). Attachment 1, the Cost Volume Proposer Checklist, must be included with the coversheet of the Cost Proposal.

## **Detailed Cost Information (Prime and Subcontractors)**

The proposers (to include FFRDCs and Government Labs) cost volume shall provide cost and pricing information, or other than cost or pricing information if the total price is under the referenced threshold (See Note 1), in sufficient detail to substantiate the program price proposed (e.g., realism and reasonableness). In doing so, the proposer shall provide, for both the prime and each subcontractor, a Summary Cost Breakdown by phase and performer fiscal year, and a Detailed Cost Breakdown by phase, technical task/sub-task, and month. The breakdown/s shall include, at a minimum, the following major cost item along with associated backup documentation: Total program cost broken down by major cost items:

### **12 Direct Labor**

A breakout clearly identifying the individual labor categories with associated labor hours and direct labor rates, as well as a detailed Basis-of-Estimate (BOE) narrative description of the methods used to estimate labor costs

### **13 Indirect Costs**

Including Fringe Benefits, Overhead, General and Administrative Expense, Cost of Money, Fee, etc. (must show base amount and rate)

### **14 Travel**

Provide the purpose of the trip, number of trips, number of days per trip, departure and arrival destinations, number of people, etc. See Section IV.B.13 for travel funding restrictions

### **15 Other Direct Costs**

Itemized with costs; back-up documentation is to be submitted to support proposed costs

### **16 Material/Equipment**

(i) For IT and equipment purchases, include a letter stating why the proposer cannot provide the requested resources from its own funding. (ii) A priced Bill of Material (BOM) clearly identifying, for each item proposed, the quantity, unit price, the source of the unit price (i.e., vendor quote, engineering estimate, etc.), the type of property (i.e., material, equipment, special test equipment, information technology, etc.), and a cross-reference to the Statement of Work (SOW) task/s that require the item/s. At time of proposal submission, any item with a unit price that exceeds \$1,000 must be supported with basis-of-estimate (BOE) documentation such as a copy of catalog price lists, vendor quotes or a detailed written engineering estimate (additional documentation may be required during negotiations, if selected). (iii) If seeking a procurement contract and items of Contractor Acquired Property are proposed, exclusive of material, the proposer shall clearly demonstrate that the inclusion of such items as Government Property is in keeping with the requirements of FAR Part

45.102. In accordance with FAR 35.014, Government property and title, it is the Governments intent that title to all equipment purchased with funds available for research under any resulting contract will vest in the acquiring nonprofit institution (e.g., Nonprofit Institutions of Higher Education and Nonprofit Organizations whose primary purpose is the conduct of scientific research) upon acquisition without further obligation to the Government. Any such equipment shall be used for the conduct of basic and applied scientific research. The above transfer of title to all equipment purchased with funds available for research under any resulting contract is not allowable when the acquiring entity is a for-profit organization; however, such organizations can, in accordance with FAR 52.245-1(j), be given priority to acquire such property at its full acquisition cost.

## **17 Consultants**

If consultants are to be used, proposer must provide a copy of the consultants proposed SOW as well as a signed consultant agreement or other document which verifies the proposed loaded daily / hourly rate and any other proposed consultant costs (e.g. travel);

## **18 Subcontracts**

Itemization of all subcontracts. Additionally, the prime contractor is responsible for compiling and providing, as part of its proposal submission to the Government, subcontractor proposals prepared at the same level of detail as that required by the prime. Subcontractor proposals include Interdivisional Work Transfer Agreements (ITWA) or similar arrangements. If seeking a procurement contract, the prime contractor shall provide a cost reasonableness analysis of all proposed subcontractor costs/prices. Such analysis shall indicate the extent to which the prime contractor has negotiated subcontract costs/prices and whether any such subcontracts are to be placed on a sole-source basis. All proprietary subcontractor proposal documentation (fully disclosed subcontract proposal), prepared at the same level of detail as that required of the prime, which cannot be uploaded to the DARPA BAA website (<https://baa.darpa.mil>, BAAT) as part of the proposers submission, shall be made immediately available to the Government, upon request, under separate cover (i.e., mail, electronic/email, etc.), either by the proposer or by the subcontractor organization. This does not relieve the proposer from the requirement to include, as part of their submission (via BAAT), subcontract proposals that do not include proprietary pricing information (rates, factors, etc.). A Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM), or similar budgetary estimate, is not considered a fully qualified subcontract cost proposal submission. Inclusion of a ROM, or similar budgetary estimate, may result in the full proposal being deemed non-compliant or evaluation ratings may be lowered;

## **19 Cost-Sharing**

The amount of any industry cost-sharing (the source and nature of any proposed cost-sharing should be discussed in the narrative portion of the cost volume); AND

## **20 Fundamental Research**

Written justification required per Section II.B, Fundamental Research, pertaining to prime and/or subcontracted effort being considered Contracted Fundamental Research.