

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 300,000.

*Average Burden per Response:* 1 hour.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 300,000.

*Needs and Uses:* The information collection requirement provides for a single fact to industry through a single point of entry for contractors wishing to do business with the Department of Defense. This central registry will be used to provide contractor financial and business information to automated systems used by the contracting and business communities. Respondents are contractors who currently are required to submit a completed "Solicitation Mailing List Application" form (SF 129) to each buying activity with which they wish to do business. In addition, a significant percentage of this data is required in solicitation responses as certification and representation of the contractor's size and status. Each completed form is entered into a local data base and the hard copy SF 129 is manually filed. The current redundant manual process is labor intensive, resulting in a high error rate and inconsistent data. A central registration system eliminates the redundancy of the government's information, as well as the duplication of effort on the part of the contractor. Registration is available via the World Wide Web (<http://www.acq.osd.mil/ec>) and through DoD certified Value Added Networks (VANs). Contractors who do not have access to the WWW can contact their regional Electronic Commerce Resource Center or Procurement Technical Assistance Center for assistance.

*Affected Public:* Business or Other For-Profit, Not-For-Profit Institutions.

*Frequency:* On Occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

*OMB Desk Officer:* Mr. Peter N. Weiss. Written comments and

recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Weiss at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

*DoD Clearance Officer:* Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: September 24, 1997.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Air Force

#### Notice of Availability of Record of Decision (ROD) for the Program Definition and Risk Reduction Phase of the Airborne Laser Program (PDRR ABL)

On September 16, 1997, the Air Force signed the ROD for the Program Definition and Risk Reduction Phase of the Airborne Laser Program (PDRR ABL). The decisions included in the ROD were made in consideration of, but not limited to, the information contained in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) filed with the Environmental Protection Agency on June 13, 1997.

The decision rendered by the US Air Force is that the USAF will proceed with PDRR ABL Phase test activities at the following locations:

Home Base activities, including weapon system integration, ground tests and initial aircraft flight tests, will take place at Edwards Air Force Base, California.

Diagnostic test activities for initial short-range PDRR ABL equipment tests with non-destructive low-and high-power laser operations will take place over White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico.

Expanded-area test activities for long-range PDRR ABL equipment checks with low-and high-power laser operations and firing of the high-energy laser will take place over the Western Range (Vandenberg Air Force Base and Point Mugu Naval Air Warfare Center, California). Target missiles will be destroyed during this test phase.

The implementation of the PDRR ABL Phase test activities will proceed with minimal adverse impact to the environment. This action conforms with applicable Federal, State and local statutes and regulations, and all reasonable and practical efforts have been incorporated to minimize harm to the local public and the environment.

Any questions regarding this matter should be directed to: Major Heidi Brothers (505) 846-7675.

Correspondence should be sent to: SMC/TM Airborne Laser System Program Office, 1351 Wyoming Blvd. SE Bldg. 20201, Kirtland Air Force Base, NM 87117-5557.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation Policy

#### Proposed Subsequent Arrangement

**AGENCY:** Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Subsequent arrangement.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 131 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2160), notice is hereby given of a proposed "subsequent arrangement" under the Agreement for Cooperation Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada Concerning the Civil Uses of Atomic Energy and the Agreement for Cooperation Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Korea Concerning Civil Uses of Atomic Energy.

The subsequent arrangement to be carried out under the above-mentioned agreements involves approval of the following: RTD/KO(CA)-6 for the transfer of fuel assemblies consisting of 100,000 grams of enriched uranium containing 19,900 grams of the isotope U-235 (less than 20 percent enrichment) from Canada to Republic of Korea for use as additional fueling for the HANARO research reactor.

In accordance with Section 131 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, it has been determined that this subsequent arrangement will not be inimical to the common defense and security.

This subsequent arrangement will take effect no sooner than fifteen days after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: September 25, 1997.

For the Department of Energy.

**Cherie P. Fitzgerald,**

*Director, International Policy and Analysis Division, Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Notice of Solicitation for Financial Assistance

**AGENCY:** Idaho Operations Office, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of solicitation for financial assistance: DE-PS07-98ID13589—Geothermal Reservoir Technology Research, Development and Demonstration.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Idaho Operations Office (ID), under the authority of the