

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Air Force****Intent To Grant an Exclusive Patent License**

Pursuant to the provisions of part 404 of title 37, code of Federal Regulations, which implements Public Law 96-517, as amended, the Department of the Air Force announces its intention to grant MJS International, Inc., a corporation of Missouri, having a place of business at Chesterfield, Missouri, an exclusive license in any right, title and interest the Air Force has in:

U.S. Patent No. 6,267,039, issued 31 July 2001, entitled "Aircraft Missile Hit Survivability Using Infrared Lamp and Sacrificial Support Structure," by Gregory J. Czarnecki.

A license for this patent will be granted unless a written objection is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this Notice. Written objection should be sent to: Air Force Materiel Command Law Office, AFMCLO/JAZ, 2240 B. Street, Rm 100, Wright-Patterson AFB OH 45433-7109. Telephone: (937) 255-2838; Facsimile (937) 255-7333.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Business and International Education Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2004

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education.

Purpose of Program: The Business and International Education (BIE) Program provides grants to institutions of higher education to enhance international business education programs and to expand the capacity of the business community to engage in international economic activities.

Eligible Applicants: Institutions of higher education that enter into agreements with trade associations, business enterprises, or trade organizations that are engaged in international economic activity.

Applications Available: August 27, 2003.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: November 7, 2003.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: January 7, 2004.

Estimated Available Funds: The Administration has requested \$2,531,000 for the BIE Program new awards for FY 2004. The actual level of funding, if any, depends on final congressional action. However, we are inviting applications to allow enough time to complete the grant process, if Congress appropriates funds for this program.

Estimated range of awards: \$50,000-\$95,000.

Estimated average size of awards: \$76,697.

Estimated number of awards: 33.

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: Up to 24 months.

Page Limit: The application narrative is where you, the applicant, address the selection criteria that reviewers use to evaluate your application. You must limit the narrative to the equivalent of no more than 40 pages, using the following standards:

- A "page" is 8.5" x 11", on one side only, with 1" margins at the top, bottom, and both sides.
- Double space (no more than three lines per vertical inch) all text in the application narrative, including titles, headings, footnotes, quotations, references, and captions. However, you may single space all text in charts, tables, figures and graphs.

- Use a font that is either 12-point or larger or no smaller than 10 pitch (characters per inch). However, you may use a 10-point font in charts, tables, figures, and graphs. The page limit does not apply to the cover sheet; the budget section, including the narrative budget justification; the assurances and certifications; or the one-page abstract or the appendices. However, you must include your complete response to the selection criteria in the application narrative.

We will reject your application if—

- You apply these standards and exceed the page limit; or
- You apply other standards and exceed the equivalent of the page limit.

Applicable Regulations: (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 85, 86, 97, 98, and 99; and (b) The regulations for this program in 34 CFR parts 655 and 661.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Matching requirement: Under title VI, part B, section 613(d) of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, a BIE Program grantee must provide no less than 50 percent of the total cost of the project in each fiscal year. Example: The institution's total costs of the proposed

project will be \$140,000 per year. The institution may request a grant in the amount of \$70,000 or less. The institution must provide the remaining \$70,000 in cash or in-kind contributions.

Priorities*Invitational Priorities*

We are particularly interested in applications that meet the following invitational priorities.

Invitational Priority 1

Applications from institutions of higher education that propose educational projects that include activities that promote an understanding of economic education for K-12 educators.

Invitational Priority 2

Applications from institutions of higher education that propose educational projects that include activities focused on the targeted world areas of Central and South Asia, the Middle East, Russia, the Independent States of the former Soviet Union, and Africa. These projects should be integrated into the curricula of the home institution or institutions.

Under 34 CFR 75.105(c)(1) we do not give an application that meets the invitational priorities a competitive or absolute preference over other applications.

Application Procedures

The Government Paperwork Elimination Act (GPEA) of 1998, (Pub. L. 105-277) and the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999 (Pub. L. 106-107) encourage us to undertake initiatives to improve our grant processes. Enhancing the ability of individuals and entities to conduct business with us electronically is a major part of our response to these Acts. Therefore, we are taking steps to adopt the Internet as our chief means of conducting transactions in order to improve services to our customers and to simplify and expedite our business processes.

Note: Some of the procedures in these instructions for transmitting applications differ from those in the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) (34 CFR 75.102). Under the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553) the Department generally offers interested parties the opportunity to comment on proposed regulations. However, these amendments make procedural changes only and do not establish new substantive policy. Therefore, under 5 U.S.C. 553(b) (A), the Secretary has determined that proposed rulemaking is not required.