

*Affected Public:* Individuals and Households.

*Annual Burden:* 10.

*Number of Respondents:* 10.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden Per Response:* 1 Hour.

*Frequency:* On Occasion.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Summary of Information Collection**

Respondents are Air Force retired members and certain Reserve members who have gained jobs with a foreign government and who must obtain approval of the Secretary of the Air Force and Secretary of State to do so. Information, in the form of a letter, includes a detailed description of duty, name of employer, Social Security Number, and statements specifying whether or not the employee will be compensated; declaring if employee will be required or plans to obtain foreign citizenship; declaring that the member will be required or plans to obtain foreign citizenship; declaring that the member will be required or plans to obtain foreign citizenship; declaring that the member will not be required to execute an oath of allegiance to the foreign government; verifying that the member understands that retired pay equivalent to the amount received from the foreign government may be withheld if he or she accepts employment with a foreign government before receiving approval. Reserve members only must include a request to be reassigned to Inactive Status List Reserve Section (Reserve Section Code RB). After verifying the status of the individual, the letter is forwarded to the Air Force Review Board for processing. If the signed letter is not included in the file, individuals reviewing the file cannot furnish the necessary information to the Secretary of the Air Force and Secretary of State on which a decision can be made. Requested information is necessary to maintain the integrity of the Request for Approval of Foreign Government Employment Program.

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Army**

**Inland Waterways Users Board;  
Request for Nominations**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Section 302 of Public Law 99-662 established the Inland Waterways Users Board. The Board is an independent Federal advisory committee. The Secretary of the Army appoints its 11 members. This notice is to solicit nominations for six (6) appointments or reappointments to two-year terms that will begin after August 1, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), Attention: Inland Waterways Users Board Nominations Committee, 108 Army Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310-0108.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), (703) 697-8986.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The selection, service, and appointment of Board members are covered by provisions of Section 302 of Public Law 99-662. The substance of those provisions is as follows:

a. *Selection.* Members are to be selected from the spectrum of commercial carriers and shippers using the inland and intracoastal waterways, to represent geographical regions, and to be representative of waterborne commerce as determined by commodity ton-miles statistics.

b. *Service.* The Board is required to meet at least semi-annually to develop and make recommendations to the Secretary of the Army on waterways construction and rehabilitation priorities and spending levels for commercial navigation improvements, and report its recommendations annually to the Secretary and Congress.

c. *Appointment.* The operation of the Board and appointment of its members are subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended) and departmental implementing regulations. Members serve without compensation but their expenses due to Board activities are reimbursable. The considerations specified in Section 302 for the selection of the Board members, and certain terms used therein, have been interpreted, supplemented, or otherwise clarified as follows:

(1) *Carriers and Shippers.* The law uses the terms "primary users and shippers." Primary users have been interpreted to mean the providers of transportation services on inland waterways such as barge or towboat operators. Shippers have been interpreted to mean the purchasers of such services for the movement of commodities they own or control.

Individuals are appointed to the Board, but they must be either a carrier or shipper, or represent a firm that is a carrier or shipper. For that purpose a trade or regional association is neither a shipper nor primary user.

(2) *Geographical Representation.* The law specifies "various" regions. For the purpose of selecting Board members, the waterways subjected to fuel taxes and described in Public Law 95-502, as amended, have been aggregated into six regions. They are (1) the Upper Mississippi River and its tributaries above the mouth of the Ohio; (2) the Lower Mississippi River and its tributaries below the mouth of the Ohio and above Baton Rouge; (3) the Ohio River and its tributaries; (4) the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway in Louisiana and Texas; (5) the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway east of New Orleans and associated fuel-taxed waterways including the Tennessee-Tombigbee, plus the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway below Norfolk; and (6) the Columbia-Snake Rivers System and Upper Willamette. The intent is that each region shall be represented by at least one Board member, with that representation determined by the regional concentration of the individual's traffic on the waterways.

(3) *Commodity Representation.* Waterway commerce has been aggregated into six commodity categories based on "inland" ton-miles shown in Waterborne Commerce of the United States. These categories are (1) Farm and Food Products; (2) Coal and Coke; (3) Petroleum, Crude and Products; (4) Minerals, Ores, and Primary Metals and Mineral Products; (5) Chemicals and Allied Products; and (6) All Other. A consideration in the selection of Board members will be that the commodities carried or shipped by those individuals or their firms will be reasonably representative of the above commodity categories.

d. *Nomination.* Reflecting preceding selection criteria, the current representation by the six (6) Board members whose terms will expire is one member each representing regions 1, 2, 4 and 5, and two members representing region 3. Also, four of these Board members represent carriers, one represents a shipper and one represents a carrier/shipper.

Two of the six members whose terms will expire are eligible for reappointment. Nominations to replace Board members whose terms expire may be made by individuals, firms or associations. Nominations will:

(1) State the region(s) to be represented.

(2) State whether the nominee is representing carriers, shippers or both.

(3) provide information on the nominee's personal qualifications.

(4) Include the commercial operations of the carrier and/or shipper with whom the nominee is affiliated. This commercial operations information will show the actual or estimated ton-miles of each commodity carried or shipped on the inland waterways system in a recent year (or years) using the waterway regions and commodity categories previously listed.

Nominations received in response to **Federally Register** notice published on February 17, 2006 (71 FR 8568) and notice published on July 7, 2006 (71 FR 38629) have been retained for consideration. Renomination is not required but may be desirable.

e. *Deadline for Nominations.* All nominations must be received at the address shown above no later than April 15, 2007.

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*Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### **Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Application Concerning Detection and Discrimination of Anomalies in Breast Tissue Images**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6 and 404.7, announcement is made of the availability for licensing of the invention set forth in U.S. Patent Application No. 11/340,375 entitled "Medical Image Processing Methodology for Detection and Discrimination of Objects in Tissue," filed on January 26, 2006. The United States Government, as represented by the Secretary of the Army, has rights in this invention.

**ADDRESSES:** Office of Research and Technology Applications, SDMC-RDTC-TDL (Ms. Susan D. McRae), Bldg. 5220, Von Braun Complex, Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Joan Gilsdorf, Patent Attorney, e-mail: [joan.gilsdorf@smdc.army.mil](mailto:joan.gilsdorf@smdc.army.mil); (256) 955-3213 or Ms. Susan D. McRae, Office of Research and Technology Applications, e-mail:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The invention pertains to the implementation of image processing and response surface methodology algorithms to process images (e.g., mammogram, magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), and ultrasound imagery) to provide improved detection of objects, such as anomalous masses in dense breast tissue, to better characterize these masses as cancerous or benign, and to identify the margins of cancerous tissue.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### **Availability for Non-Exclusive, Exclusive, or Partially Exclusive Licensing of U.S. Patent Application Concerning Inducing and Sealing Cracks in Containment Vessels**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with 37 CFR 404.6 and 404.7, announcement is made of the availability of licensing of the invention set forth in U.S. Patent Application No. 11/460,593 entitled "Method of Inducing and Sealing Cracks in Vessels," filed on July 27, 2006. The United States Government, as represented by the Secretary of the Army, has rights in this invention.

**ADDRESSES:** Office of Research and Technology Applications, SDMC-RDTC-TDL (Ms. Susan D. McRae), Bldg. 5220, Von Braun Complex, Redstone Arsenal, AL 35898.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The invention pertains to inducing and sealing cracks in newly constructed containment vessels, such as linerless composite tanks, that are subject to crack propagation during the life of the vessels. The cracks are sealed before the vessel is placed in service to prevent or

reduce leakage of the fluids that are stored in the vessels.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

#### **Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Restoring the Integrity of the Amite River and Restoring Various Natural Functions That Have Been Degraded or Lost as a Result of Human-Induced Factors, in All or Portions of Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Livingston, St. Helena, and St. John Parishes, in Southeastern Louisiana**

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, is initiating this study under the authority of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the United States House of Representatives resolution, adopted July 23, 1998, which reads as follows:

"Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the United States House of Representatives Resolution, that the Secretary of the Army is requested to review the report of the Chief of Engineers on the Amite River and Tributaries, Louisiana, published as House Document 419, 84th Congress, 2nd Session, and other pertinent reports, with a view to determining whether modifications of the recommendations contained therein are advisable at the present time in the interest of environmental restoration and protection, water quality, and sediment control, recreation, and the avoidance or minimization of undesirable impacts resulting from urbanization and other present and future watershed activities."

The study will determine the feasibility of reducing turbidity, lowering temperatures, and reducing the extent of the physical changes within the Amite River corridor in an effort to achieve fish and wildlife restoration and provide outdoor public recreation opportunities. This effort will significantly contribute to the watershed management objectives of the state of Louisiana.

The study area includes the Amite River drainage basin in southeastern Louisiana, in Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Livingston, St.