

**Authority:** Public Law 93-415.

**Funds Available:** NIC is seeking the applicant's best ideas regarding accomplishment of the scope of work and the related costs for achieving the goals of this solicitation. Funds may be used only for the activities that are linked to the desired outcome of the project. The funding amount will not exceed \$50,000 for a period of 18 months.

**Eligibility of Applicants:** An eligible applicant is any state or general unit of government, private agency, educational institution, organization, individual, or team with expertise in the described areas. Applicants must have demonstrated ability to implement a project of this size and scope.

**Review Considerations:** Applications will be reviewed by a team. Among the criteria used to evaluate the applications are indication of a clear understanding of the project requirements as stated in the solicitation; background, experience, and expertise of the proposed project staff, including any sub-contractors; effectiveness of an innovative approach to the project; clear, concise description of all elements and tasks of the project with sufficient and realistic time frames necessary to complete the tasks; technical soundness of project design and methodology; financial and administrative integrity of the proposal, including adherence to federal financial guidelines and processes; a sufficiently detailed budget that shows consideration of all contingencies for this project and commitment to work within the proposed budget; and indication of availability to work with NIC staff.

Applications received under this announcement will be subject to a collaborative review process. The criteria for the evaluation of each application will be as follows:

**Programmatic: 40 Points**

Are all of the tasks and activities adequately covered? Is there a clear description of how each project activity will be accomplished, including major tasks; the strategies to be employed; required staffing; responsible parties, and other required resources? Are there any unique or exceptional approaches, techniques, or design aspects proposed that will enhance the project?

**Project Management and Administration: 20 Points**

Does the applicant identify reasonable objectives, milestones, or measures to track progress? Are the proposed management and staffing plans clear, realistic, and sufficient to complete the project? Is the applicant willing to meet

with NIC as specified in the solicitation for this cooperative agreement?

**Organizational and Project Staff Background: 30 Points**

Do the skills, knowledge, and expertise of the organization and the proposed project staff demonstrate a high level of competency to complete the tasks? Does the applicant/organization have the necessary experience and organizational capacity to complete all goals of the project? If consultants and/or partnerships are proposed, is there a reasonable justification for their inclusion in the project and a clear structure to ensure effective coordination?

**Budget: 10 Points**

Is the proposed budget realistic, does it provide sufficient cost detail/narrative, and does it represent good value relative to the anticipated results? Does the application include a chart that aligns the budget with project activities along a timeline with quarterly benchmarks? In terms of program value, is the estimated cost reasonable in relation to the work performed and project objectives?

**Note:** NIC will NOT award a cooperative agreement to an applicant who does not have a Dun and Bradstreet Database Universal Number (DUNS) and is not registered in the Central Contractor Registry (CCR).

Applicants can obtain a DUNS number at no cost by calling the dedicated toll-free request line at 800-333-0505. Applicants who are sole proprietors should dial 866-705-5711 and select option #1.

Applicants may register in the CCR online at the CCR Web site: [www.ccr.gov](http://www.ccr.gov). Applicants can also review a CCR handbook and worksheet at this Web site.

Number of Awards: One

NIC Opportunity Number: 12CS19. This number should appear as a reference line in the cover letter, where indicated on Standard Form 424, and outside of the envelope in which the application is sent.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 16.601.

Executive Order 12372: This project is not subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372.

**Morris L. Thigpen,**

*Director, National Institute of Corrections.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Employment and Training Administration**

**Notice of a Public Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Apprenticeship (ACA)**

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (Pub. L. 92-463; 5 U.S.C. APP. 1), notice is hereby given to announce an open meeting of the Advisory Committee on Apprenticeship on August 1-2, 2012. This meeting will take place at the U.S. Department of Labor, Frances Perkins Building, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210. The ACA is a discretionary committee established by the Secretary of Labor, in accordance with FACA, as amended 5 U.S.C., App. 2, and its implementing regulations (41 CFR 101-6 and 102-3). All meetings of the ACA are open to the public.

**TIME AND DATE:** The meeting will begin at approximately 1:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time on Wednesday, August 1, 2012, and continues until approximately 5:00 p.m. The meeting will reconvene on Thursday, August 2, 2012, at approximately 9:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time and adjourn at approximately 1:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting location is the U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The Designated Federal Official, Mr. John V. Ladd, Administrator, Office of Apprenticeship, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Room N-5311, Washington, DC 20210. Telephone: (202) 693-2796, (this is not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting is open to the public and members of the public are invited to attend the proceedings. If individuals have special needs and/or disabilities that will require special accommodations, please contact Kenya Huckaby on (202) 693-3795 no later than Wednesday, July 25, 2012, to request for arrangements to be made.

Agenda topics for this meeting can be found below. Any member of the public who wishes to file written data or comments pertaining to the agenda may do so by sending the data or comments

to the Designated Federal Official, Mr. John V. Ladd, Administrator via email at [oa.administrator@dol.gov](mailto:oa.administrator@dol.gov), subject line "ACA Meeting," or submitting to Administrator, Office of Apprenticeship, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5311, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20210. Such submissions must be received by Wednesday, July 25, 2012, to be included in the record for the meeting.

#### **Purpose of the Meeting and Topics To Be Discussed**

The August ACA meeting will follow the Department's Registered Apprenticeship National Education and Action Summit in recognition of the 75th Anniversary of the National Apprenticeship Act. The primary purpose of the meeting is to convene expert panels, drawn from summit participants, to consider key goals of the ACA's draft vision for 21st Century Registered Apprenticeship as follows:

- An increasing number of businesses and additional industries will use and reap the advantages of the Registered Apprenticeship model.
- Americans will seek and find Registered Apprenticeship as a valuable post-secondary pathway to rewarding careers.
- Diverse populations in the U.S. workforce will have access to growing opportunities generated within Registered Apprenticeship.
- Public policy will increasingly reflect the power and value of Registered Apprenticeship to address economic and workforce development challenges.

In addition, the Department will provide a report to the Committee on the outcomes of the Registered Apprenticeship National Education and Action Summit, including specific recommendations generated at the summit, held in recognition of the 75th Anniversary of the National Apprenticeship Act. Finally, the Employee Benefits Security Administration will also provide information to the Committee related to recent oversight activities of apprenticeship and training plans.

Finally, the ACA may also consider comments from members of the public related to the agenda items above. Any member of the public who wishes to speak at the meeting should indicate the nature of the intended presentation and the amount of time needed by furnishing a written statement to the Designated Federal Official, Mr. John V. Ladd, by Wednesday, July 25, 2012; (see above for contact information). The

Chairperson will announce at the beginning of the meeting the extent to which time will permit the granting of such requests.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 27th day of June 2012.

**Jane Oates,**

*Assistant Secretary for the Employment and Training Administration.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

### **Employment and Training Administration**

#### **Request for Certification of Compliance—Rural Industrialization Loan and Grant Program**

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Employment and Training Administration is issuing this notice to announce the receipt of a "Certification of Non-Relocation and Market and Capacity Information Report" (Form 4279-2) for the following:

Applicant/Location: NuWeld, Inc. and ARC Tech, Inc.

Principal Product/Purpose: The loan, guarantee, or grant application is to acquire and renovate a facility, which will be located in Williamsport, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania. The NAICS industry code for this enterprise is: 811310 (fabrication and welding services).

**DATES:** All interested parties may submit comments in writing no later than July 17, 2012.

Copies of adverse comments received will be forwarded to the applicant noted above.

**ADDRESSES:** Address all comments concerning this notice to Anthony D. Dais, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Room S-4231, Washington, DC 20210; or email [Dais.Anthony@dol.gov](mailto:Dais.Anthony@dol.gov); or transmit via fax (202) 693-3015 (this is not a toll-free number).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Anthony D. Dais, at telephone number (202) 693-2784 (this is not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 188 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act of 1972, as established under 29 CFR Part 75, authorizes the United States Department of Agriculture

to make or guarantee loans or grants to finance industrial and business activities in rural areas. The Secretary of Labor must review the application for financial assistance for the purpose of certifying to the Secretary of Agriculture that the assistance is not calculated, or likely, to result in: (a) A transfer of any employment or business activity from one area to another by the loan applicant's business operation; or, (b) An increase in the production of goods, materials, services, or facilities in an area where there is not sufficient demand to employ the efficient capacity of existing competitive enterprises unless the financial assistance will not have an adverse impact on existing competitive enterprises in the area. The Employment and Training Administration within the Department of Labor is responsible for the review and certification process. Comments should address the two bases for certification and, if possible, provide data to assist in the analysis of these issues.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 26th day of June 2012.

**Jane Oates,**

*Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training.*

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## **NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

### **Notice [12-038]**

#### **Notice of Information Collection**

**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection.

**SUMMARY:** The National Aeronautics and Space Administration, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** All comments should be submitted within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for the Office of NASA.