The Government of Pakistan has requested the purchase of 8 43-meter Global Response Cutters (GRC43M). Each Cutter will be a mono-hull design made of Glass Reinforced Plastic (GRP). Also included in this sale: outfitted 8 25mm or 30mm Naval Gun Systems, 32 M2–HB .50 caliber machine guns, 32 7.62mm guns, 8 8-meter Rigid Inflatable Boats, ballistic/armor protection of critical spaces, command and control equipment, communication equipment, navigation equipment, support equipment, spare and repair parts, tools and test equipment, technical data and publications, personnel training, U.S. government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The total estimated cost is $350 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a country vital to U.S. foreign policy and national security goals in South Asia. This sale will enhance Pakistan’s ability to enforce the rule of law over its coastal areas to safeguard seaborne energy corridors, deter the outbreak of piracy along the north Arabian Sea, and curtail the trafficking of narcotics and other illicit goods. These vessels provide the Pakistan Navy with the capability for medium to long endurance coverage of its 660 miles of coastline. Pakistan will have no difficulty absorbing GRC43M Cutters into its armed forces.

This sale will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be WSY, Inc. in Port Angeles, Washington. There are no known offset agreements proposed in conjunction with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require multiple trips by U.S. Government and contractor representatives to participate in program and technical reviews plus training and maintenance support in country, on a short-term temporary basis, for a period of not more than 60 months or until the last Cutter is delivered to Pakistan and integrated into their operating forces.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees

AGENCY: DoD.

ACTION: Renewal of Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing this notice to announce that it is renewing the charter for the Department of Defense Wage Committee (“the Committee”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703–692–5952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This committee’s charter is being renewed pursuant to 5 CFR part 532, Federal Wage System (Pub. L. 92–392), and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended) and 41 CFR 102–3.50(c), established the Committee.

The Committee is a statutory Federal advisory committee that provides independent advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Defense or Deputy Secretary of Defense, through the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD(P&R)), on matters relating to the conduct of wage surveys and the establishment of wage schedules for all appropriated fund and non-appropriated fund wage areas of blue-collar employees within DoD.

The Committee reports to the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense, through the USD(P&R). The USD(P&R), may act upon the Committee’s advice and recommendations.

The Committee, in accordance with 5 CFR 532.227, will be composed of seven members—a chair and six additional members. The Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense selects the Committee’s chair.

Committee members are appointed by the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense and their appointments will be renewed on an annual basis. Committee members who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal employees are appointed as experts or consultants under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 3109 to serve as special government employee (SGE) members. Committee members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal employees are appointed pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.130(a) to serve as regular government employee (RGE) members. Committee members, as determined by the Secretary of Defense or Deputy Secretary of Defense, serve a term of service of one-to-four years. No member may serve more than two consecutive terms of service without written approval by the Secretary of Defense or Deputy Secretary of Defense. This same term of service limitation also applies to any authorized DoD subcommittees.

Committee members serve without compensation except for reimbursement of travel and per diem as it pertains to official Committee business.

All members of the Committee are appointed to provide advice on the basis of their best judgment with representing any particular point of view and in a manner that is free from conflict of interest.

DoD, when necessary and consistent with the Committee’s mission and DoD policies and procedures, may establish subcommittees, task forces, or working groups to support the Committee.

Establishment of subcommittees is based upon a written determination, to include terms of reference, by the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, or USD(P&R), as the Committee’s sponsor.

Such subcommittees will not work independently of the Committee and must report all of their recommendations and advice solely to the Committee for full and open deliberation, discussion, and voting. Subcommittees, task forces, or working groups have no authority to make decisions and recommendations, verbally or in writing, on behalf of the Committee. No subcommittee or any of its members can update or report, verbally or in writing, on behalf of the Committee, directly to the DoD or any Federal officer or employee.

The Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense will appoint subcommittee members to a term of service of one-to-four years, with annual renewals, even if the member in question is already a member of the Committee. Subcommittee members will not serve more than two consecutive terms of service unless authorized by the Secretary of Defense or the Deputy Secretary of Defense.

Subcommittee members, if not full-time or permanent part-time Federal employees, will be appointed as experts or consultants pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109.
to serve as SGE members. Subcommittee members, who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal employees, will be appointed pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.130(a) to serve as RGE members. With the exception of reimbursement of official travel and per diem related to the Committee or its subcommittees, subcommittee members shall serve without compensation.

All subcommittees operate under the provisions of FACA, the Sunshine Act, governing Federal statutes and regulations, and established DoD policies and procedures. The Committee’s Designated Federal Officer (DFO) must be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee appointed in accordance with governing DoD policies and procedures.

The Committee’s DFO is required to attend at all meetings of the Committee and any subcommittees for the entire duration of each and every meeting. However, in the absence of the Committee’s DFO, a properly approved Alternate DFO, duly appointed to the Committee according to established DoD policies and procedures, must attend the entire duration of all meetings of the Committee and its subcommittees.

The DFO or the Alternate DFO calls all meetings of the Committee and its subcommittees; prepare and approve all meeting agendas; and adjourn any meeting when the DFO, or the Alternate DFO, determines adjournment to be in the public interest or required by governing regulations or DoD policies and procedures.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to Department of Defense Wage Committee membership about the Committee’s mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the Department of Defense Wage Committee. All written statements shall be submitted to the DFO for the Department of Defense Wage Committee, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration. Contact information for the Department of Defense Wage Committee DFO can be obtained from the GSA’s FACA Database—http://www.facadatabase.gov/.

The DFO, pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150, will announce planned meetings of the Department of Defense Wage Committee. The DFO, at that time, may provide additional guidance on the submission of written statements that are in response to the stated agenda for the planned meeting in question.

Dated: November 4, 2014.

Aaron Siegel,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Board of Visitors, United States Military Academy (USMA)

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of open committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army is publishing this notice to announce the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the USMA Board of Visitors (BoV). This meeting is open to the public. For more information about the BoV, its membership and its activities, please visit the BoV Web site at http://www.usma.edu/bov/SitePages/Home.aspx.

DATES: The USMA BoV will meet from 1:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 3, 2014. Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting will need to show photo identification in order to gain access to the meeting location. All participants are subject to security screening.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Room 340, Cannon House Office Building, New Jersey and Independence Avenues SE., Washington, DC, subject to availability—changes will be announced as soon as possible, on the BoV Web site at http://www.usma.edu/bov/SitePages/Home.aspx, should the meeting location change.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Deandra K. Ghostlaw, the Designated Federal Officer for the committee, in writing at Secretary of the General Staff, ATTN: Deandra K. Ghostlaw, 646 Swift Road, West Point, NY 10996, by email at deandra.ghostlaw@usma.edu or BoV@usma.edu, or by telephone at (845) 938–4200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The committee meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102–3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: This is the 2014 Fall Meeting of the USMA BoV.

The USMA BoV is an independent Federal advisory committee chartered to provide the Secretary of the Army independent advice and recommendations on the USMA Board of Visitors. Members of the Board will be provided updates on Academy issues.

Proposed Agenda: The Academy leadership will provide the Board with updates on the following matters: Sexual Harassment/Assault Response Program (SHARP), Accreditation and Period Review Report (PFR), Branching/Grad School Options (GRADSO), Brigade Tactical Department (BTD) Demographics, and the National Conference on Ethics in America (NCEA) update. Ms. Brenda Sue Fulton, Vice Chair of the Board of Visitors, will brief Board members on her attendance at the United States Air Force Academy Board of Visitors meeting in September 2014. Finally, the USMA Superintendent will brief the Board.

Public’s Accessibility to the Meeting: Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102–3.140 through 102–3.165 and subject to the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is on a first to arrive basis. Attendees are requested to submit their name, affiliation, and daytime phone number seven business days prior to the meeting to Mrs. Ghostlaw, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section. Members of the public attending the committee meeting will not be permitted to present questions from the floor or speak to any issue under consideration by the committee. Because the meeting of the committee will be held in a Federal Government facility, security screening is required. A government photo ID is required to enter the building. Please note that security guards have the right to inspect vehicles and persons seeking to enter and exit the meeting site. Cannon House Office Building, Room 340, Veterans Affairs Room, is fully handicap accessible. Wheelchair access is available at the entrance on New Jersey Avenue SE., south of the terrace at the intersection with Independence Avenue. For additional information about public access procedures, contact Mrs. Ghostlaw, the committee’s Designated Federal Officer, at the email address or telephone number listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section.

Written Comments or Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR § 102–3.105(j) and 102–3.140 and section 10(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the public or interested organizations may submit written comments or statements.