

**ACTION:** Notice of interim patent term extension.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Patent and Trademark Office has issued an order granting interim extension for a one-year interim extension of the term of U.S. Patent No. 8,311,629.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mary C. Till by telephone at (571) 272-7755; by mail marked to her attention and addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop Hatch-Waxman PTE, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450; by fax marked to her attention at (571) 273-7755; or by email to [Mary.Till@uspto.gov](mailto:Mary.Till@uspto.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 156 of Title 35, United States Code, generally provides that the term of a patent may be extended for a period of up to five years if the patent claims a product, or a method of making or using a product, that has been subject to certain defined regulatory review, and that the patent may be extended for interim periods of up to one year if the regulatory review is anticipated to extend beyond the expiration date of the patent.

On October 26, 2018, Impulse Dynamic N.V., the patent owner of record, timely filed an application under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) for an interim extension of the term of U.S. Patent No. 8,311,629. The patent claims the medical device, the OPTIMIZER Smart Implantable Pulse Generator. The application for patent term extension indicates that a Premarket Approval Application (PMA) P180036 was submitted to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on September 5, 2018.

Review of the patent term extension application indicates that, except for permission to market or use the product commercially, the subject patent would be eligible for an extension of the patent term under 35 U.S.C. 156, and that the patent should be extended for one year as required by 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5)(B). Because the regulatory review period will continue beyond the original expiration date of the patent, November 16, 2018, interim extension of the patent term under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) is appropriate.

An interim extension under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) of the term of U.S. Patent No. 8,311,629 is granted for a period of one year from the original expiration date of the patent.

Dated: November 15, 2018.

**Robert Bahr,**

*Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy, United States Patent and Trademark Office.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Patent and Trademark Office**

**[Docket No.: PTO-P-2018-0064]**

**Grant of Interim Extension of the Term of U.S. Patent No. 8,260,416; OPTIMIZER® Smart Implantable Pulse Generator**

**AGENCY:** United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of interim patent term extension.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Patent and Trademark Office has issued an order granting interim extension for a one-year interim extension of the term of U.S. Patent No. 8,260,416.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mary C. Till by telephone at (571) 272-7755; by mail marked to her attention and addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop Hatch-Waxman PTE, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450; by fax marked to her attention at (571) 273-7755; or by email to [Mary.Till@uspto.gov](mailto:Mary.Till@uspto.gov).

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On October 26, 2018, Impulse Dynamic N.V., the patent owner of record, timely filed an application under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) for an interim extension of the term of U.S. Patent No. 8,260,416. The patent claims methods of using the medical device, the OPTIMIZER Smart Implantable Pulse Generator. The application for patent term extension indicates that a Premarket Approval Application (PMA) P180036 was submitted to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on September 5, 2018.

Review of the patent term extension application indicates that, except for permission to market or use the product commercially, the subject patent would

be eligible for an extension of the patent term under 35 U.S.C. 156, and that the patent should be extended for one year as required by 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5)(B). Because the regulatory review period will continue beyond the original expiration date of the patent, November 19, 2018, interim extension of the patent term under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) is appropriate.

An interim extension under 35 U.S.C. 156(d)(5) of the term of U.S. Patent No. 8,260,416 is granted for a period of one year from the original expiration date of the patent.

Dated: November 15, 2018.

**Robert Bahr,**

*Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy, United States Patent and Trademark Office.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Army**

**Army Education Advisory Subcommittee Meeting Notice**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of open subcommittee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Army is publishing this notice to announce the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center Board of Visitors, a subcommittee of the Army Education Advisory Committee. This meeting is open to the public.

**DATES:** The Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center (DLIFLC) Board of Visitors Subcommittee will meet from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on December 12 and 13, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, Building 326, Weckerling Center, Presidio of Monterey, CA 93944.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Detlev Kesten, the Alternate Designated Federal Officer for the subcommittee, in writing at Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, ATFL-APAS-AA, Bldg. 614, Presidio of Monterey, CA 93944, by email at [Detlev.kestenv@dliflc.edu](mailto:Detlev.kestenv@dliflc.edu), or by telephone at (831) 242-6670.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subcommittee 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:** The purpose of the meeting is to provide the subcommittee with briefings and information focusing on the Institute's plan for its students to achieve higher proficiency scores on the Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT), to include updates on curriculum and faculty development efforts.

**Proposed Agenda:** December 12—The subcommittee will receive briefings associated with DLIFLC's higher proficiency goals and the Institute's actions in supporting said goal. The subcommittee will complete administrative procedures and appointment requirements. December 13—The subcommittee will have time to discuss and compile observations pertaining to agenda items. General deliberations leading to provisional findings will be referred to the Army Education Advisory Committee for deliberation by the Committee under the open-meeting rules.

**Public Accessibility to the Meeting:** Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended, 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 Mr. Kesten, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Because the meeting of the subcommittee will be held in a Federal Government facility on a military base, security screening is required. A photo ID is required to enter base. Please note that security and gate guards have the right to inspect vehicles and persons seeking to enter and exit the installation. Weckerling Center is fully handicap accessible. Wheelchair access is available on the right side of the main entrance of the building. For additional information about public access procedures, contact Mr. Kesten, the subcommittee's Alternate 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 to the subcommittee, in response to the stated agenda of the open meeting or in regard to the subcommittee's mission in general. Written comments or statements should be submitted to Mr.

Kesten, the subcommittee Alternate Designated Federal Officer, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Each page of the comment or statement must include the author's name, title or affiliation, address, and daytime phone number. The Alternate Designated Federal Official will review all submitted written comments or statements and provide them to members of the subcommittee for their consideration. Written comments or statements being submitted in response to the agenda set forth in this notice must be received by the Alternate Designated Federal Official at least seven business days prior to the meeting to be considered by the subcommittee. Written comments or statements received after this date may not be provided to the subcommittee until its next meeting.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.140d, the Committee is not obligated to allow a member of the public to speak or otherwise address the Committee during the meeting. Members of the public will be permitted to make verbal comments during the Committee meeting only at the time and in the manner described below. If a member of the public is interested in making a verbal comment at the open meeting, that individual must submit a request, with a brief statement of the subject matter to be addressed by the comment, at least seven business days in advance to the subcommittee's Alternate Designated Federal Official, via electronic mail, the preferred mode of submission, at the address listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. The Alternate Designated Federal Official will log each request, in the order received, and in consultation with the Subcommittee Chair, determine whether the subject matter of each comment is relevant to the Subcommittee's mission and/or the topics to be addressed in this public meeting. A 15-minute period near the end of the meeting will be available for verbal public comments. Members of the public who have requested to make a verbal comment and whose comments have been deemed relevant under the process described above, will be allotted no more than three minutes during the period, and will be invited to speak in the order in which their requests were received by the Alternate Designated Federal Official.

**Brenda S. Bowen,**

*Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army

#### Expeditionary Technology Search (xTechSearch) II Prize Competition Announcement

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

**ACTION:** Announcement of competition.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of applicable laws and regulations, the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology (ASA(ALT)) is announcing the second cohort of the Army Expeditionary Technology Search—xTechSearch II Prize Competition—for the Army to enhance engagements with the entrepreneurial funded community, small businesses, and other non-traditional defense partners. The xTechSearch program will provide an opportunity for businesses to pitch novel technology solutions, either a new application for an existing technology or an entirely new technology concept, to the Army.

#### DATES:

1. December 31, 2018 at 12:59PM PST. Deadline for submission of White Papers to the xTechSearch competition. Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered.

2. February 25–March 8, 2019. Semifinalists—Up to 60 participants conduct technology pitches to xTechSearch panels.

3. March 26–28, 2019. Up to 25 finalists featured at the Association of the United States Army Global Force Symposium and Exposition in Huntsville, AL.

4. October 2019. Capstone Demonstration with Army subject matter experts and Leadership.

**ADDRESSES:** Proposals must be submitted at Challenge.gov: <https://challenge.gov/a/buzz/challenge/88/ideas/top>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Jennifer Smith, Deputy Director for Laboratory Management (ASA(ALT)) Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army, Research and Technology, (703) 697–0685 or via Email at: [usarmy.pentagon.hqda-asa-alt.mbx.xtechsearch@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.pentagon.hqda-asa-alt.mbx.xtechsearch@mail.mil).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Eligibility:** The entities allowed to participate in this competition are small businesses as defined in 13 CFR part 121. To qualify, the participating entity must fall within the size standard by North American Industry Classification System code 541713, 541714, and 541715.