

Base Access Applications; and \$500,000 is for Labor, Materials, and System Installation and Integration on one Rivet Joint aircraft.

RECIPIENT REQUEST CERTIFICATION FORM

None of the funding requested will be used for a new building, program, or project that has been named for a sitting Member of Congress. If the building, program, or project is already named after a sitting Member of Congress, please state when that naming occurred.

None of the funding requested will be used to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark.

For requests where the receiving entity is not a unit of federal, state or local government, or where the entity receiving the funding will not be providing support to a Federal, state, or local government, or will not be providing research, the requesting entity is to provide matching funds including in-kind contributions of 5 percent or more above statutory requirement.

Attachment of detailed finance plan must include: anticipated sources of the funding for the duration of the project; percent and source of required matching fund; and justification for use of federal taxpayer dollars.

Name of person certifying: Steven C. Speak.

Title of person certifying: President.

Project name: Prepreg Thickness Variability Reduction Program.

Legal name of entity making request: Cytec Engineered Materials.

Address: 4300 Jackson Street, Greenville, TX 78420.

RECIPIENT REQUEST CERTIFICATION FORM—DETAILED FINANCE PLAN

Project Name: Prepreg Thickness Variability Reduction Program.

Requested by Congressman RALPH HALL (TX-4).

Total Requested funding FY09: \$1.6 million.

Justification of the use of Federal funds: This program will reduce the variability of Carbon fiber prepreg, the raw material that provides the basis for strong durable, light-weight composite aircraft structures. It is predominantly used by the Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and the airline industry to fabricate aircraft structures such as wing skins. A major impediment to assembling composite aircraft structural components is the dimensional mismatch of composite parts which may produce rough edges, overlays, or gaps between parts. Much of this mismatch is due to variations that occur in component manufacturing. Funding has been applied to efforts to reduce variation in component manufacturing by the Air Force and the prime contractors. Unfortunately, funds have not been directed towards efforts to reduce variation by refining the raw material—carbon fiber prepreg. Lower prepreg variation will avoid the purchase of costly precision machining equipment by program partners, estimated at \$80 million, to mitigate surface and component part deviations. Federal funding is justified in this effort to reducing the variability of prepreg to help the Joint Strike Fighter program and others meet the goal of reducing the overall variability of composite parts. This is vital to reduce the weight of aircraft, as well as to promote optimal stealth capabilities.

DETAILED BUDGET FOR VARIATION REDUCTION DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Materials:

Resin and prepreg production, production trials, feedstock variations, customer shop trials, and packaging supplies: \$100K.

Deliverables:

(1) Develop and demonstrate the necessary equipment and processes for production.

(2) Document aerospace production control documents (PCD) for JSF Program technical approval and signature.

Labor:

Scientist, technicians, mechanics, testing personnel, and production operators: \$160K.

Deliverables:

(1) Direct the work to be done, optimize process, execute plan scale up work.

(2) Ensure best practice sharing of manufacturing engineering development.

Testing:

Fiber testing, production of composites, and testing of the composite coupons: \$1130K.

Deliverables:

(1) Generate meaningful composite material data, demonstrating alignment to heritage mechanical test data bases.

(2) Review data and correlate to end-use application.

Contract Administration: \$30K.

Overhead and Contract Management: \$100K.

Contingency/Miscellaneous Travel, part-time resources, contingent raw material needs: \$80K.

Total Budget: \$1600K.

STRYKER COMMON ACTIVE PROTECTION SYSTEM (APS) RADAR

Bill Number and Account: H.R. 2638, RDT&E, Army, Line 62.

Name and Address of Recipient: Raytheon Company, 2501 West University Drive, McKinney, TX, 75070.

Program Description/Use of FY09 Funding: Active Protection System (APS) is an externally mounted vehicle protection system that identifies, discriminates and intercepts rocket propelled grenades (RPGs), mortars, antitank guided missiles and artillery projectiles after they are launched toward a combat vehicle. The system consists of the Multi-Function Radio Frequency (MFRF) radar, launchers, fire control processors and countermeasures. In March, 2006, the Army competitively awarded a contract with two options for APS. Option A for the Short Range Countermeasure is in development and will integrate RPG protection into current combat vehicles, beginning with Stryker. Option B will address the longer range threats and is a sub-system to the Hit Avoidance Suite for the Future Combat Systems (FCS) fleet of Manned Ground Vehicles (MGV). In 2007, the Army accelerated the requirement for Stryker by designating it a critical component of Spin Out 2, the second increment of FCS technologies to be fielded to the Current Force in the 2010–2012 timeframe. Due to budget constraints, the FY09 President's budget request does not contain funding to support APS integration onto Stryker.

The additional FY09 funding of \$1.6M will allow ruggedization of the Environmental Control Unit (ECU) for tactical application (e.g., submergence) on Stryker, as well as software and hardware development for system command and control, including the man-machine interface.

Anticipated Sources of Funding: APS development is funded under the FCS MGV budget line, but there is no dedicated funding to sup-

port APS development for Stryker in FY08 or FY09. The Army originally requested funding in FY08 for Stryker APS but has since reallocated the funding to support power management and the other upgrades Stryker needs to accommodate FCS Spin Outs. Additional funding is anticipated through future years' budgets, but details of the 10–15 POM are unknown at this time.

Matching Funds: N/A.

Justification for Use of Taxpayer Dollars: This project aims to accelerate delivery of a validated military need intended to enhance protection of Army soldiers and vehicles. As a priority military initiative, this program will be funded through Federal expenditures.

INTRODUCTION OF THE ACT TO SAVE AMERICA'S FORESTS

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer the Act to Save America's Forests.

Our forests are an extraordinary natural resource which must be preserved. Unfortunately, aggressive logging practices on Federal land have eliminated much of our Nation's remaining forests and their native biological diversity. This is a sensible bill to limit aggressive logging and protect our forests and our environment.

The Act to Save America's Forests bans clearcutting in all Federal forests. It also ends logging in the last virgin forests, roadless areas, and other core regions of the Federal forest system. The bill allows for limited and ecologically sustainable logging in lands that have already been logged outside of core forest areas.

An important provision of the bill transfers jurisdiction of the Giant Sequoia National Monument from the Forest Service to the Park Service to manage and protect this important ecological asset. The Forest Service has continued to allow logging of the sequoias, which is not acceptable, and the courts finally put a stop to this egregious practice. My constituent, Martin Litton, has fought tirelessly for decades to protect the magnificent giant sequoia trees and the congressional action proposed in the Act to Save America's Forests will ensure their long term protection.

This year, the bill includes a new provision for the Department of Interior to conduct environmental surveys to identify ecosystems not currently included in our national park system. These studies will identify needs to ensure that our national parks will preserve as much natural diversity as possible.

Preserving our forests not only ensures that we will maintain the natural beauty of our Nation, it will help mitigate climate change by reducing carbon emissions. Forests are an important carbon storage medium and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change estimated that deforestation accounts for 20–25 percent of annual greenhouse gas emissions. In 2006, the Environmental Protection Agency estimated that forests in the U.S. absorbed enough carbon dioxide to offset 11 percent of our country's emissions. Logging reduces the capacity of our forests to absorb carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, so unless we act

now to prevent aggressive logging, we could lose 50–80 percent of our carbon storage capacity and reduce our ability to mitigate the effects of climate change.

The Act to Save America's Forests will ensure that future generations of Americans will inherit and enjoy our Nation's irreplaceable natural forest treasures.

I'm very proud to introduce this bipartisan bill with 70 cosponsors and I urge my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to join me in supporting this important piece of legislation.

110TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OLD PRINT SHOP

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the 110th anniversary of the Old Print Shop, an American and New York landmark located at 150 Lexington Avenue in New York City.

The Old Print Shop celebrates 110 years under four generations of Newman family.

Its headquarters for almost 75 of those years has been on Lexington Avenue in an unpretentious brownstone with old wooden floors and antique display cases. The shop has been described as having Old World charm. At the helm are second and third generation Newman's who enjoy what has been the hallmark of the shop, buying and selling fine prints, maps, and books.

The Old Print Shop has supplied prints and paintings to many public and private art collections including the Library of Congress, the State Department, and the National Portrait Gallery. It strives to present a friendly and helpful atmosphere to both experts and beginning collectors. The comfortable interior encourages browsing through the thousands of prints, which are organized by subject, artist, and size. The shop has grown considerably since its humble beginnings as a portrait gallery and now carries a broad selection of American graphic arts from the 18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st centuries and a wide selection of antique maps. The Old Print Shop has also expanded by taking over the ground floor of the adjoining building at 152 Lexington Avenue, where the focus is on art reference, illustrated, fine art, and color plate books.

Following in the footsteps of his father, the late Harry Shaw Newman, his son, Kenneth M. Newman, helped to build many collections of American primitive art and to concentrate the attention of the public on American printmakers, especially Currier & Ives and other publishers from the 18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st centuries.

Robert K. Newman, Kenneth's elder son, and his younger son, Harry Shaw Newman, share in their father's knowledge and love of prints, paintings, and art history. In recent years, Robert K. Newman's son, Brian has joined the shop as fourth generation in the business.

Madam Speaker, I ask that the House recognize this remarkable family who have contributed so much toward the preservation and appreciation of American history through their business acumen at the Old Print Shop in

New York City and their associated gallery, the Old Print Gallery in Washington, DC.

TRIBUTE TO DAVE GUTZ

HON. TOM LATHAM

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. LATHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dave Gutz, of Jefferson, Iowa who competed in the 100 yard dash and in golf at the 2008 U.S. Transplant Games in Pittsburgh, PA.

Four years ago, Dave Gutz found out that his only kidney, the other one was damaged at birth and was later removed, was failing and he was immediately put on dialysis for twenty-five months. A year later, Dave was placed on the transplant list and it took at least another eighteen months before a kidney was available. Last September he received the gift of life—the kidney he needed to survive.

Hosted by the National Kidney Foundation, the Transplant Games are an Olympic-style event for athletes who have received life-saving organ transplants. It provides the athletes an opportunity to celebrate that they survived and flourished. The Games have twelve different events and the athletes have the opportunity to win either a gold, silver, and bronze medal.

Dave Gutz's courage and perseverance is an inspiration to all of us. I am honored to represent Dave Gutz in the United States Congress and I know that my colleagues join me in congratulating him and wish him success in the future.

CONGRESSIONAL TRIBUTE HONORING RAYMOND RIVERA, JR.

HON. CHARLES A. GONZALEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. GONZALEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a constituent of mine, Mr. Raymond Rivera, Jr., who was recently awarded the "Regional Hero" award by the National Association of Letter Carriers.

Mr. Rivera, a member of the NALC's San Antonio Branch 421, was honored this past week by the NALC for rescuing two little girls who were being attacked by a pair of pit bulls in San Antonio. Heroically, he grabbed one of the pit bulls by the face as it was biting a child. With the help of another Good Samaritan, the two saved the children and restrained the animals for 45 minutes until authorities arrived. One child received more than 100 stitches after the accident, but without Mr. Rivera, the incident could have very well been catastrophic.

San Antonio is grateful for everyday heroes such as Mr. Rivera who are setting great examples for the rest of our community. I'm pleased to recognize his actions and bravery of that day, and I'm honored to call him a constituent.

RECOGNIZING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF GLOBAL STAFFING, INC., AND WESTMORELAND, INC.

HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate Westmoreland/GTG JV, a venture of Global Staffing, Inc., and Westmoreland, Inc., on its recognition as a "Top 100 Veteran Owned Business in America" and a "Top 100 Disabled Owned Business in America" by Diversity Business Magazine. From what I have heard of Westmoreland/GTGS JV, a service-disabled, veteran-owned small business, this recognition is well deserved.

I'm told that for the 17 years that Global Staffing has operated in my district, it has provided quality service to commercial enterprises and government agencies. Global Staffing has provided gainful employment to thousands of my constituents and other citizens nationwide. I understand that Global Staffing has demonstrated good corporate citizenship, supporting the local community through scholarships for at-risk children, food drives for the homeless, and grants to domestic abuse support agencies.

Westmoreland, Inc. was founded by Dennis Westmoreland a service-disabled veteran of two tours in Vietnam, who has for many years given his time and energy to working with and supporting other veterans at VA hospitals in Colorado.

I congratulate the management and staff of Global Staffing and Westmoreland for this award and wish them continued success in the future.

WHEN, IN HEARTS AS FOUND

HON. ZACH WAMP

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. WAMP. Madam Speaker, this poem was written to honor a great American patriot, Sue Downes of Claiborne County, Tennessee.

WHEN, IN HEARTS AS FOUND

When, In Hearts As Found! Such things as so astounds . . . When all else fails, as when courage comes to crest . . . when heard in ones heart such sounds! Beating . . . beating all in ones chest so now . . . Are but all those heroes, magnificent's who so wear that crown . . .

That crown worn of Hero so now . . . Who must so rebuild their lives, someday . . . somehow . . . Whose great hearts do so astound, as does so one so Susan Downes!

While, marching off to war . . . Leaving behind, all that she so loved and adored . . . But for her family and sweet country tis of thee, as was her burden bore . . . who could but ask for more?

With her two strong legs so lost . . . Is that not what heaven is for? Paying such a great price, such a cost . . . this her albatross . . . As she came home, and her courageously fine heart would not so be lost!

For in this war . . . Unlike, none before . . . women have all given so much more!