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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Fourth Annual National Security Education Program (NSEP) Institutional Grants Competition

AGENCY: Department of Defense, National Security Education Program (NSEP).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The NSEP announces the opening of its Fourth Annual Competition for Grants to U.S. Institutions of Higher Education.

DATES: Grants Solicitations (applications) will be available beginning Monday, February 10, 1997. Preliminary proposals are due Friday, April 18, 1997. Electronic submissions will *not* be accepted.

ADDRESS: Request copies of the solicitations (applications) from NSEP, Institutional Grants, Rosslyn P.O. Box 20010, 1101 Wilson Blvd., Suite 1210, Arlington, VA 22209-2248, by FAX to (703) 696-5667, or via INTERNET: nsep@nsep.policy.osd.mil Also, after February 10, 1996 the NSEP Institutional Grant Solicitation will be available on the NSEP homepage: <http://www.dtic.mil/defense/link/pubs/nsep>

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Edmond J. Collier, Deputy Director, National Security Education Program, 1101 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1210, Arlington, Virginia 22209-2248; (703) 696-1991 Electronic mail address: collier@nsep.policy.osd.mil.

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Defense Science Board Task Force on Underground Facilities

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meetings.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board Task Force on Underground Facilities will meet in closed session on January 22-23, 1997 at Strategic Analysis, Inc., Fairfax, Virginia. In order for the Task Force to obtain time sensitive classified briefings, critical to the understanding of the issues, this meeting is scheduled on short notice.

The mission of the Defense Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense through the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At this meeting the Task Force will address the threat to U.S. interests posed by the growth of underground facilities in unfriendly nations. The Task Force should investigate technologies and techniques to meet the international security and military strategy challenges posed by these facilities.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II, (1994)), it has been determined that this DSB Task Force meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (1) (1994), and that accordingly this meeting will be closed to the public.

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Department of the Army

Corps of Engineers

Grant of Exclusive License

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i), announcement is made of prospective exclusive licenses of U.S. Patent No. 5,441,362, entitled "Concrete Armor Unit for Protecting Coastal and

Hydraulic Structures and Shorelines," and U.S. Patent Application No. 08/290,721, entitled "Concrete Armor Unit to Protect Coastal and Hydraulic Structures and Shorelines."

DATES: Written objections must be filed not later than March 14, 1997.

ADDRESSES: U.S. Army Waterways Experiment Station, 3909 Halls Ferry Road, Vicksburg, MS 39180-6199, ATTN: CEWES-OC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Phil Stewart (601) 634-4113.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Concrete Armor Units were invented by Jeffrey A. Melby and George F. Turk (Application No. 128,426; U.S. Patent No. 5,441,362, Filed September 30, 1993, Issued August 15, 1995; Application No. 290,721, Filed November 15, 1995). Rights to the United States patent and the patent application have been assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Secretary of the Army. The United States of America as represented by the Secretary of the Army intends to grant an exclusive license for all fields of use, in the manufacture, use, and sale in the territories and possessions, including territorial waters of, the United States of America, Canada, and the United States of Mexico to Concrete Technology Corporation, P.O. Box 1159, Tacoma, WA 98401.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i), any interested party may file a written objection to this prospective exclusive license agreement.

Gregory D. Showalter,
Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.
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Corps of Engineers

Patents Available for Licensing

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, announces the general availability of exclusive, or partially exclusive licenses under the following patents. Any license granted shall comply with 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 C.F.R. Part 404.

Patent No.	Title	Issue date
5,472,215	Rotating High Vacuum Mercury Seal	12/05/95
5,474,837	Laminated Paper Glass Camouflage	12/12/95
5,483,836	Device for Measuring Lateral Deformation in Material Test Specimens	1/16/96
5,483,862	Apparatus and Method for Homogenizing Plastic	1/16/96
5,487,311	Air Velocity Averaging Rotor	1/30/96
5,517,465	Multiple Sensor Fish Surrogate for Acoustic and Hydraulic Data Collection	5/14/96

Patent No.	Title	Issue date
5,528,142	Resonant Eddy Analysis—A Contactless, Inductive Method for Deriving Quantative Information About the Conductivity and Permeability of a Test Sample.	6/18/96
5,528,935	Stress and Velocity Gauge	6/25/96
5,531,824	Method of Increasing Density and Strength of Highly Siliceous Cement-Based Materials	7/2/96
5,548,115	Probe Device for Detecting Contaminants in Subsurface Media	8/20/96

ADDRESSES: Humphreys Engineer Center Support Activity, Office of Counsel, 7701 Telegraph Road, Alexandria, Virginia 22315-3860.

DATES: Applications for an exclusive or partially exclusive license may be submitted at any time from the date of this notice. However, no exclusive or partially exclusive license shall be granted until April 14, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia L. Howland (703) 428-6672 or Alease J. Berry, (703) 428-8160.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: USP 5,472,215 is a seal which allows the transmission of high vacuum from a vacuum pump to rotating machinery such as a centrifuge. The seal can accommodate unlimited rotation with minimal frictional resistance.

USP 5,474,837 is a method and means of producing low cost camouflage materials whose physical and spectral characteristics can be adapted to the camouflage environment. Also, the invention provides for construction materials for shelters and decoys with camouflaging features incorporated therein.

USP 5,483,836 is a device which is capable of accurately measuring the lateral response of material specimens subjected to a wide range of stresses and strains, and which is capable of surviving uncontrolled specimen failures.

USP 5,483,864 is a hand operated machine which transforms blocks of explosive material into a soft, homogeneous sheets which can then be easily compacted into a molded charge.

USP 5,487,311 is an improved device for measuring the average air flow velocity within a conduit and providing that data in digital format.

USP 5,517,465 is a device which emulates the sensory organs of a fish and is used to record the environment of areas that are consistently avoided by fish to establish acoustic parameters for diverting fish away from areas of danger.

USP 5,528,142 provides a method for quantifying the conductivity or permeability of a test sample throughout a range of AC frequencies of between several Kilo Hertz to around 100 Mega Hertz.

USP 5,528,935 combines a stress gauge and velocity gauge in a single

package. The invention can measure both normal stress and material velocity at the same location in a material which assists in understanding material behavior and the wave state in the material, in identifying the presence, location, and type of material boundaries near the measurement, and in quantifying the energy in the material at the point of the measurement.

USP 5,531,824 is a method of increasing the hardness and compressive strength of concrete and other cement-based products, and also decreasing their permeability to water which would be useful in such applications as chemical-resistant floors and hazardous waste storage.

USP 5,548,115 is a device for in-situ detection of contaminants such as petroleum products in a subsurface media such as soil. Among other things, the invention utilizes source and receiver filtering to improve sensitivity, and provides for an active or passive calibration source, separate from the excitation source and interior, to provide accurate calibration of analysis equipment.

Applications for an exclusive or partially exclusive license should contain the information set forth in 37 C.F.R. 404.8. Applications will be evaluated utilizing the following criteria: (1) Ability to manufacture and market the technology; (2) manufacturing and marketing capability; (3) Time required to bring technology to market and production rate; (4) Royalties; (5) Technical capabilities; and, (6) Small Business status.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Extension of Closing Date for Receipt of Applications for Designation as an Eligible Institution for Fiscal Year 1997 for the Strengthening Institutions, Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs), and Endowment Challenge Grant Programs

On November 27, 1996, a notice was published in the Federal Register (61 FR 60264-60265) that established closing dates for transmittal of applications for the FY 1997 designation of eligible institutions for the Strengthening Institutions, HSI, and Endowment Challenge grant programs. The purpose of this notice is to extend the closing dates for transmittal of applications. This action is taken as a result of the unavailability of applications until January 24, 1997.

The closing date for early applications is extended from February 13, 1997 to February 24, 1997. For applications submitted by February 24, 1997, the Department will notify the applicant of its eligibility status by March 31, 1997. Any of these applicants that believes it failed to be designated as an eligible institution because of errors in its application or insufficient information in its waiver request may submit an amended application to the Department no later than April 30, 1997.

The final closing date for all initial applications is extended from March 13, 1997 to March 26, 1997.

FOR APPLICATIONS OR INFORMATION CONTACT: Program Development Service Team I, Institutional Development and Undergraduate Education Service, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., (Suite CY-80, Portals Building), Washington, D.C. 20202-5335. Telephone: (202) 708-8857 or 708-8839. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Information about the Department's funding opportunities, including copies of application notices for discretionary grant competitions, can be viewed on the Department's electronic bulletin board (ED Board), telephone (202) 260-