

Phase I ran from March 29, 2004 to September 22, 2004.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The initial rollout (*see DATES*) served as the Evaluation Period for the Phase I process, and involved a limited number of Personal Property Shipping Office's (PPSO) and TSP's. The implementation Phase started in March 2004 and expansion to the remaining PPSO's and TSP's is scheduled for completion on or about June 30, 2005.

New sites are added to Phase I on an ongoing basis. All TSPs who have LOIs on file at these added sites are required to become PowerTrack certified and participate as Phase I TSPs effective 30 days from the date the site is added to Phase I. An updated list of all Phase I participating sites is located on the SDDC Web site. It is important to note that during this period, the participating TSPs will continue to receive the 1% PowerTrack Surcharge reimbursement fee until International Winter 05 (IW05) and Domestic Winter 05 (DW05) or Defense Future Personal Property (DPS) Rates are in effect. The Rate Solicitation for both IW05 and DW05 will be available to TSPs on March 15, 2005 and the rate filing period is scheduled for May 1, 2005 to July 15, 2005 with an effective date of October 1, 2005 for both cycles. For this reason, TSPs should file their rates for the IW05 and DW05 Winter Cycle and DPS assuming that PowerTrack and CWA will be used. DPS rates will be filed August 1-31, 2005 with an effective date of October 1, 2005.

Transportation Service Providers wishing to transport personal property shipments for the DOD must have a Trading Partner agreement with US Bank and be PowerTrack certified for the electronic payment of commercial transportation services. It is important that TSPs begin the PowerTrack certification process immediately by calling US Bank at 1-800-417-1844. Additional information on PowerTrack is available at <http://www.usbank.com/powertrack>. Only those TSPs that are PowerTrack certified will be eligible to receive personal property shipments.

## I. Background

On July 7, 1997, the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) issued a memorandum, which required the reengineering of defense transportation documentation and financial processes as part of an effort to revolutionize DOD business practices across all Military Services and Agencies. A major component of the reengineering effort is the implementation of US Bank's PowerTrack System. PowerTrack has now been implemented for DOD freight and personal property shipments for all modes of transportation. In June 2002, the USTRANSCOM Personal Property report was released, and USTRANSCOM directed that work begin on the future Personal Property program. USTRANSCOM tasked SDDC, in conjunction with the Military Services and Industry, to map out Families First by August 31, 2002. As a part of the Families First effort, DOD declared that PowerTrack would be utilized as the commercial business-to-business payment system.

To begin moving forward with Families First, SDDC developed a Concept of Operation (CONOPS) outlining the implementation of Phase I. Key elements of Phase I CONOPS are electronic bill payment and the CWA. The CWA will be used for approval authorization and for costing shipments, based on the current Military Rate Tender.

## II. Objective

The objective of Phase I is to implement the electronic bill payment portion of Families First for all Military Installations and DOD approved TSPs. The electronic bill payment processes for Phase I will:

- Use US Bank's PowerTrack system to pay Transportation Service Providers;
- Use CWA as a tool to track and approve services performed by Transportation Service Providers; and
- Provide information visibility for Stakeholders (Personal Property Shipping Offices, Military Services, U.S. Coast Guard, General Service Administration, Transportation Service Providers, etc.).

## Regulation Flexibility Act

This action is not considered rule making within the meaning of Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601-612.

## Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3051 *et seq.*, does not apply because no information collection or record keeping requirements are

imposed on contractors, offerors or members of the public.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Notice of Availability of Government-Owned Invention; Available for Licensing

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The invention listed below is assigned to the United States Government as represented by the Secretary of the Navy and is available for licensing by the Department of the Navy. U.S. Patent No. 6,280,759: Method of Controlled Release and Controlled Release Microstructures, and any continuations, divisionals, or reissues thereof.

**ADDRESSES:** Requests for copies of the invention cited should be directed to the Naval Research Laboratory, Code 1004, 4555 Overlook Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20375-5320, and must include the U.S. Patent number.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jane F. Kuhl, Head, Technology Transfer Office, NRL Code 1004, 4555 Overlook Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20375-5320, telephone (202) 767-3083. Due to temporary U.S. Postal Service delays, please fax (202) 404-7920, e-mail: [kuhl@utopia.nrl.navy.mil](mailto:kuhl@utopia.nrl.navy.mil) or use courier delivery to expedite response.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive Patent License; SWORD Diagnostics

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Navy hereby gives notice of its intent to grant to SWORD Diagnostics, a revocable, nonassignable, exclusive license, to practice in the fields of rapid detection