

and reliability improvements using computer aided process control. Virtually every weapon and safety system used by the DoD relies on some type of Energetic Device to function properly. These devices are described as single point failure potentials—which means that if they don't function, then the system fails. Because of the criticality of these functions, the benefit of higher reliability translates into increased mission success and increased safety to the warfighter. In addition, the activities proposed above will lead to decreased manufacturing costs and increased manufacturing productivity for these devices. This will allow for increased throughput in order to support potential surge scenarios. EaglePicher Technologies (EPT) has been manufacturing Energetic Devices since the early 1980's and is proud of the reliability record demonstrated by the use of their devices. EPT seeks to partner with Eglin AFB to raise the reliability of these devices to the next level. EaglePicher proposes to demonstrate unprecedented levels of quality and reliability to this neglected, but critical segment of the defense industry. ustry.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

Mr. WITTMAN of Virginia. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2638, the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2009.

Vehicle Paint Facility, Fort Eustis.

Requesting Member: Congressman ROBERT J. WITTMAN.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: U.S. Department of the Army, Military Construction.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Newport News.

Address of Requesting Entity: 2400 Washington Avenue, Newport News, VA 23607.

Description of Request: Provide \$3.90 million to construct a Vehicle Paint Facility at Fort Eustis with paint booths to accommodate the preparation and painting of vehicles, equipment, components, helicopters, and modular causeway sections. This project is required to support the preparation for and painting of approximately 1600 pieces of vehicular equipment. Most of this equipment belongs to the 7th Sustainment Brigade, which is one of the Army's most frequently deployed units. If this project is not provided, Fort Eustis will incur negative mission impacts and will not meet Virginia Environmental Quality requirements. Current painting operations will have an elevated cost because existing facilities cannot accommodate oversized equipment. The facility is critical to rapidly prepare equipment for deploying units in conjunction with time phased deployment schedules. In addition, the Deputy Secretary of the Army (Installations and Housing) certifies that this project has been considered for joint use potential. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the U.S. Department of

the Army, Military Construction account. There is no matching requirement.

High Power Free Electron Laser Development for Naval Applications.

Requesting Member: Congressman ROBERT J. WITTMAN.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: U.S. Department of the Navy, Research, Development, Test and Evaluation.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Jefferson Science Associates on behalf of the Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility.

Address of Requesting Entity: 12000 Jefferson Avenue, Newport News, VA 23606.

Description of Request: Provide \$2.40 million for the Jefferson Lab High Power FEL Development for Naval Application project, which continues to meet the Navy milestones for increased laser power and systems development for the application of a shipboard system for cruise missile defense. In October 2006, the JLab FEL broke its own record and exceeded the Navy milestone by delivering 14.2 kW of infrared light at a maritime critical wavelength. The FEL project has important directed energy applications. There is no matching requirement. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the U.S. Department of the Navy RDTE account.

Marine Corps Base Quantico OCS Headquarters Facility.

Requesting Member: Congressman ROBERT J. WITTMAN.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: U.S. Department of the Navy, Military Construction.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Member initiated request.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1123 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515.

Description of Request: Provide \$5.98 million for construction of the Marine Corps Base Quantico Officer Candidate School Headquarters Facility located at Quantico, Virginia. The funding would be used to construct a single-story administrative headquarters building to consolidate Headquarters functions at Officer Candidate School (OCS). The facility will provide workspaces for 75 Marines responsible for coordinating the administrative, educational, operational and logistics support required to conduct Officer Candidate training at OCS. The existing facility was built in 1945 and will be demolished once new construction is complete. Preventive and corrective maintenance, both routine and emergency, take place on a daily basis at the existing facility, consuming material, money and manpower. This project is listed on the USMC FY09 Unfunded Programs List. The entity to receive funding for this project is the United States Navy. The funds will be used for the OCS headquarters construction, technical operating manuals, information systems, anti-terrorism force protection, and supporting facilities (construction features, electrical, mechanical, paving and site improvements, demolition and environmental mitigation). There is no matching requirement. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the U.S. Department of the Navy Military Construction account.

Over-the-Horizon Vessel Tracking for Homeland Security.

Requesting Member: Congressman ROBERT J. WITTMAN.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: U.S. Department of the Navy, Research and Development.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Center for Innovative Technology (CIT).

Address of Requesting Entity: 2214 Rock Hill Road, Suite 600, Herndon, VA 20170-4228.

Description of Request: Provide \$800,000 for Over-the-Horizon Vessel Tracking. Over-the-Horizon Vessel Tracking has been a priority for DoD since the 1950s. The Coast Guard plays a key role in force protection and is responsible for protection of Naval assets while in port under a 1995 Memorandum of Understanding with DOD. This project leverages the previous federal investment in the NOAA Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS). Labor: \$900,000, Equipment and Supplies: \$80,000, Travel: \$20,000. CIT will provide a 10% match, covering labor, fringe, and indirect costs. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the U.S. Department of the Navy Research and Development account.

Training Support Center, Ph 1.

Requesting Member: Congressman ROBERT J. WITTMAN.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: U.S. Department of the Army, Military Construction.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Newport News.

Address of Requesting Entity: 2400 Washington Avenue, Newport News, VA 23607.

Description of Request: Provide \$13.60 million to construct Phase I of a multi-phase Advanced Training Technology Support Facility for the U.S. Army Training Support Center at Fort Eustis. Project includes administrative space, special work areas, office support areas, classrooms, conference rooms, storage areas, mailroom functions, and computer/communication space. Supporting facilities include utilities services, UMCS connection, emergency generator, paving, storm drainage, site improvement, communications and fencing. Heating (natural gas) and air conditioning will be by self contained systems. Antiterrorism/Force Protection (AT/FP) measures include laminated glass, traffic control barriers and standard security design features. Access for individuals with disabilities will be provided. Demolish includes limited asbestos abatement. If this project is not provided, fragmented elements of ATSC will continue to occupy structurally deficient temporary facilities and impact Army-wide ATSC Range and support missions. There is no matching requirement. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the U.S. Department of the Army Military Construction account.

INTRODUCTION OF THE NURSING HOME EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE ACT

HON. RON PAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

Mr. PAUL. Madam Speaker, I rise to introduce the Nursing Home Emergency Assistance Act. This act makes private, for-profit nursing homes eligible for the same federal aid as is currently available to public nursing