

water security needs in a military field environment and the public sector.

Requesting Member: Congressman TIM MURPHY.

Bill Number: S. 3001.

Account: Department of Defense, Navy, RDT&E, Force Protection Advanced Technology Account.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Curtiss-Wright.

Address of Requesting Entity: 291 Westec Drive, Mt Pleasant, PA 15666.

Description of Request: Appropriation in the amount of \$1 million for Navy High Power Density Motor Drive. Funding will complete drive design and initiate prototype assembly of High Power Density Motor Drive for Naval Submarine and Surface Ship Applications to meet the Navy's need for a motor drive that is power dense, lightweight, with low distortion and noise, high efficiency and high reliability as a companion to the Extreme Torque Motor (XTM). The drive is the element which provides proper energy to the motor, allowing for variable speed and direction. Advances in control techniques and the combination of several power electronics technologies will enable the development of a drive system design that meets all of the Navy's requirements. The motor concept is based on Harmonically Neutralized Frequency Converter (HNFC) technology, a combination of proven power conversion techniques that have been used for several decades in icebreaker and cruise ship propulsion systems. Integration of this drive technology with XTM motor development offer will enable the design of a complete Navy "system", optimized for high demands of propulsion. This is an ongoing project of the U.S. Navy.

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Account: Department of Defense, Army, RDT&E, Munitions Standardization, Effectiveness and Safety Account.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: National Center for Defense Manufacturing & Machining.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1600 Technology Way, Latrobe, PA 15650.

Description of Request: Appropriation in the amount of \$1 million for Virtual Opportunity and Information Center (VOICe). The National Center for Defense Manufacturing & Machining (NCDMM) has been working with private industry under congressional support to produce a Virtual Opportunity and Information Center (VOICe) that matches the requirements of DoD and original equipment manufacturers to the capabilities of small to medium manufacturers in Western Pennsylvania. Many of these contracts require state-of-the-art machining tools and techniques in order for the subcontractor to be successful. To assure small manufacturers bid successfully and fulfill all contract requirements, the NCDMM will work in partnership with industry to build a Virtual Opportunity and Information Center (VOICe). VOICe will match opportunities with job shops, as well as supply best practices and requisite knowledge to solutions in high-speed machining, new machining techniques, use of advanced measuring and testing equipment and protocol, work holding, five-axis machining and other best practices.

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Account: Department of Defense, Army, RDT&E, Weapons and Munitions Advanced Technology Account.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Kennametal.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1600 Technology Way, Latrobe, PA 15650.

Description of Request: Appropriation in the amount of \$1.6 million for Advanced Medium Caliber Tungsten Penetrators. Funding is needed to continue development and conduct testing of advanced Tungsten alloys that have the promise to deliver superior performance compared to Depleted Uranium, and Tungsten/Nickel/Cobalt alloys. Funding for this project will continue a multi-phased program that investigates several Tungsten alloy candidates and consolidation techniques. After laboratory characterization, multiple iterations of ballistic testing in a variety of weapons systems are planned. Successful completion of this phase will allow the Army to investigate the use of new Tungsten penetrators in current and FCS weapons systems. The effort will involve the U.S. Army Research Laboratory, Aberdeen, Maryland, and the U.S. Army ARDEC at Picatinny Arsenal, to ensure programs are properly targeted and result in new technology acquisition.

HONORING THE LIFE OF NORMA DANIELS

HON. JERRY MORAN

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

Mr. MORAN of Kansas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Norma Daniels. My thoughts and prayers go out to her husband Bob and the rest of the Daniels family during this time of loss.

I admit that I have trouble knowing where to begin when it comes to honoring Norma. You could call her Madam Chairperson—she was the chair of the Kansas Rural Development Council. You could call her "nurse," as that was her original occupation. Thousands of people called her "Senator," and seven people call her "Mom."

Norma was born in Yates Center, a town of about 1800 people in Woodson County, KS. She was raised in Kansas City, MO and did her undergraduate work at St. Louis University. After becoming a registered nurse, she met a young medical student at a hospital in Kansas City named Bob Daniels. Bob went on to complete his internship at St. Francis Hospital in Wichita, and while there, the two were married. Bob and Norma raised 6 daughters and 1 son.

Knowing of her extensive service to her community through various volunteer organizations, Bob raised the question of whether Norma should run for City Council. Norma reacted in shock, saying she didn't know anything or care about politics.

Sometime later, she was paying her city water bill and asked the city clerk what it would take to run for city council. The clerk re-

plied, "Who would like to know—certainly not you, Norma." She answered, "Why not?" The clerk said, "City business is like big business, and women just don't understand it." That was all the motivation that she needed. Norma ran for and won a seat on the city council, and never looked back—winning every election she entered.

Norma knew she was a novice and became a student of government, reading through ordinance books and state laws and visiting the police and fire stations to learn the laws. Her work paid off, and her successful career on the city council and encouragement from her community led her to challenge a long time incumbent Kansas State Senator. She became the first female State Senator ever elected from Sedgwick County, winning by only 176 votes of the nearly 23,000 cast. The media called her victory a fluke, but they were wrong. She was re-elected to the Senate twice more, and in January of 1993 she retired.

I had the opportunity to serve with Norma in the Kansas State Senate. Norma was a tireless advocate for her constituents and always a professional. Her list of honors and activities is remarkable. She was one of the first to represent Kansas in Tokyo at the Japan American Grassroots Summit, a founder of the Valley Center Swim Club and a co-leader of the Girl Scouts. But she kept it all in perspective. Throughout her life she was a believer of rural America, saying that is where the real diamonds of family life are found. She found great happiness in serving others and in making life a little better for those who needed a hand, and that is why Madam Speaker, I rise to honor her today.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JERRY WELLER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

Mr. WELLER of Illinois. Madam Speaker, had I been present for Rollcall votes 616 through 618. I was absent on Monday, September 24th due to personal reasons.

If I were present I would have voted, "Aye" on Rollcall vote 616, "Aye" on Rollcall vote 617, and "Aye" on Rollcall vote 618.

CELEBRATING THE 97TH NATIONAL DAY OF THE REPUBLIC OF TAIWAN

HON. DAN BURTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I rise as a senior member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee and member of the House Taiwan caucus, to honor the people of the Republic of China (Taiwan)—a strong strategic partner and ally not only to the United States but also among the democratic nations of our world—as they prepare to celebrate their 97th National Day on October 10th.

Taiwan's National Day, also known as Double Ten Day for its date on October 10th,