

Improved Flash Bang Grenade (IFBG)



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Background

- Flash-Bang Grenade Capability Production Document Signed 11 Feb 2008
 - Increment I Mk 141 Removed from Service Use Due to Safety Issues
 - Increment II BTV-1 Currently used by USMC
 - Increment III IFBG Follow-on Spiral with Increased Capability and Enhanced Safety Characteristics



Mk 141



BTV-1



IFBG Prototype



Project Goals

•DESCRIPTION:

- Develop and Procure a Safer, More Effective, Hand-employed Flash-bang Grenade With Greater Light Output That Increases Duration Of Flash-blindness and Generates Debilitating Sound Pressure Levels.
- Removal of Harmful Perchlorates Improves Safety to The Warfighter, and Improves Environmental, Health & Safety Compliance

•FISCAL YEAR OBJECTIVES:

- Technical Development and Testing Prototypes
- Early User Assessment
- Milestone B Decision
- Signed Capability Production Document (CPD)
- Initiate Competition for Bid Sample Testing



Development Goals

- Develop and Procure a Flash-Bang Grenade with the following Characteristics:
 - Increased Duration of Human Incapacitation
 - All Human Effects are Reversible No Permanent Injuries
 - Increase Total Light Output to Increase Duration of Reversible Flash-Blindness (Threshold = 10 seconds)
 - Maintain Pressure Levels to Safely Startle / Confuse Target Subjects
 - Elimination of Harmful Perchlorates in Payload.
 Perchlorates have a Negative Impact on the Environment and the Warfighters that Train with & Use Flash-Bang Grenades



Near Term Schedule

Task, Milestone, or	FY08												FY09		
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Sources Sought Information

- Sources Sought Synopsis was Released on 31 Jan 08.
 Copies Available today
- AFRL Flash-Blindness & Glare Modeling Publication (Kosnick & Smith, May 2003) Also Available Today (Approved for Public Release, Distribution Unlimited)
- Request for Proposals will be Released in September 08
- Industry Day will be Held in September 08 Immediately after release of the RFP to Clarify Requirements and Evaluation Methods



Questions?

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