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Henry Kerwien Scalable Lethality: 'Dial-a-yield' approach to greater precision engagement 17-20 May 2010

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Scalable Lethality Bottom Line Up Front

- Scalable Lethality provides more engagement options
 - Improves Weapon Effectiveness
 - Reduces Collateral Damage
- Enables Military Operations in Complex Environments (MOUT, Defilade, Wooded Terrain, In the Open)
- Applicable to a range of munition calibers (Missiles, Artillery, Medium Caliber)
- Requires Integrated Advanced Component Technologies (multi-purpose energetics, reactive materials, advanced fuzing & lethal mechanisms)

Key User-Identified Need

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ARDEC, AMRDEC, ARL & ERDC Core IPT Members LLNL, AFRL, SNL & China Lake are Shell IPT Members Demonstration objectives and requirements are coordinated with USAIC & USFAS, PEO Ammunition, PEO M&S, PM MAS, PM CAS, PM PFRMS ARDEC ATO Mgr 30mm 105mm Warheads Energetics Propulsion LLNL **Systems Analysis** Fuze <u>ARL</u> ATO Mgr Warheads SNL Energetics Propulsion **USFAS** ÚSAIC **Systems Analysis** NAWS - China Lake AMRDEC 250mm Warheads Energetics Fuze Systems Analysis AFRL – Eglin AFB ERDC National Quality ward **Terminal Effects**

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Engagement in Close Proximity with Low Collateral Risks

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How We Achieve Scalable Lethality

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How We Achieve Scalable Lethality

Advanced Energetics

- Combined Effects/Scalable Explosives
- Reactive Materials IM Performance & Increased Controlled Energy Output
- Dual Purpose Energetics/Rocket Assist

Warheads

- Directional/Selectable/Preformed Fragmentation
- Liners/Composites
- Reactive Materials Output Energy, IM Compatibility, Reactive & Consumable Fragments

Fuze & Power

- Height of Burst Algorithms (HOB)
- Initiation Train
- Hybrid Power Sources/Thermal & Liquid **Reserve Batteries**

Advanced Propulsion

- Coated Single Base or Hybrid Propellant
- Ballistic Efficiency/Flat Temp Profile
- Increase MV/Range
- Cooler Flame Temp
- Deterrent Migration/Shelf Life/Cost
- Advanced Igniters

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Modeling & Simulation to Optimize Effectiveness in the Urban Environment

- Force Level Effectiveness Analysis
 - RDECOM Modeling Architecture for Technology, Research, and Experimentation (MATREX)
 - Virtual Test Bed utilizing ARDEC Armaments Server

85% Fewer Individual Combatant Losses17% Fewer Aircraft Losses6% Fewer Ground Platform Losses

154% More OPFOR Individual Combatant Losses34% More OPFOR Ground Platform Losses30% More OPFOR Air Defense Losses

- Scalable Lethality Enabled Engagement of Targets in Collateral Damage Sensitive Sites
- Attacks on otherwise protected targets forced relocation of critical OPFOR assets and prevented OPFOR from returning fire
- Destruction of OPFOR Air Defense Systems Enabled BLUFOR Aircraft to Participate in Battle and Identify & Engage Targets

The Entire Force Benefits from Scalable Lethality

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All in the Same Weapon

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Capabilities to Demonstrate

250mm (GMLRS)

- Scalable Explosives Deflagrate-to-Detonate
 - Effective against structures and personnel in complex environments where collateral damage is a concern

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Demonstrations in 2011

Summary

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42% More Effective than Conventional Munitions

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