

### Integrity - Service - Excellence

## **Air Force Small Business** "Small Source, Right Value, Big Performance"



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### **U.S. AIR FORCE**





### Technology Game Changers & SB

Keys to Capitalizing on SB Capabilities

Questions?



# **SB** Capabilities

PC Krause and Associates, Inc. Program Name: Multi-Level Heterogeneous Modeling

Taitech, Inc. Program: Technology for Sustained Supersonic Combustion

Innovative Scientific Solutions, Inc. Program: Technology for Sustained Supersonic Combustion

#### **HIGH-SPEED**

RNET Technologies Program Name: Center for Innovative Radar Engineering (CIRE)

#### **ELECTRONIC WARFARE**

Florida Turbine Technologies Inc. Program Name: Efficient Small Scale Propulsion (ESSP) System Trade Studies

Williams International Company, LLC Program Name: Small Component and Engine Structural Assessment Research (S-CAESAR) Engine Demonstrator

#### **ENERGY EFFICIENT PLATFORMS**

Intelligent Software Solutions Program Name: System Concepts Enabling Persistent Tracking and Identification for Combat (SCEPTIC)

SelectTech Program Name: Blue Devil

#### C4ISR



# **Rapid Improvement Fund**

SAF/AQR managed initiative: Received 730 white papers in response BAA

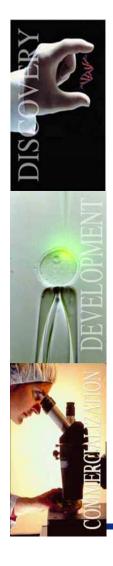
(88% SB)

- Focus on key technology areas:
  - Support to current contingency operations (particularly in the areas of precision air delivery)
  - Low-metal or non-metallic detection devices
  - Persistent wide-area airborne surveillance and exploitation capability
  - Combat search and rescue
  - Man-portable fire suppressant
- Also considered:
  - Degree to which the technical approach was relevant to AF needs
  - If it enhances or accelerates the development of an AF capability
  - If it reduces development/sustainment costs
- SAF/AQR anticipates ~55 contract awards FY12



SBIR/STTR Phased Approach





### \$370M Total FY10 Budget

2.8% of Extramural RDT&E Budget

### FY11: Total of 200 SBIR & STTR Topics

- PHASE I Average 450 awards, ~5,500 proposals
  - Feasibility Study
  - \$150K, 9-month Award
- PHASE II Average 170 awards, ~550 proposals
  - Full Research/R&D
  - Up to \$1M, 2-year Award
- PHASE III FY10 45 awards = \$260M
  - Commercialization Stage
  - Non-SBIR/STTR Funds



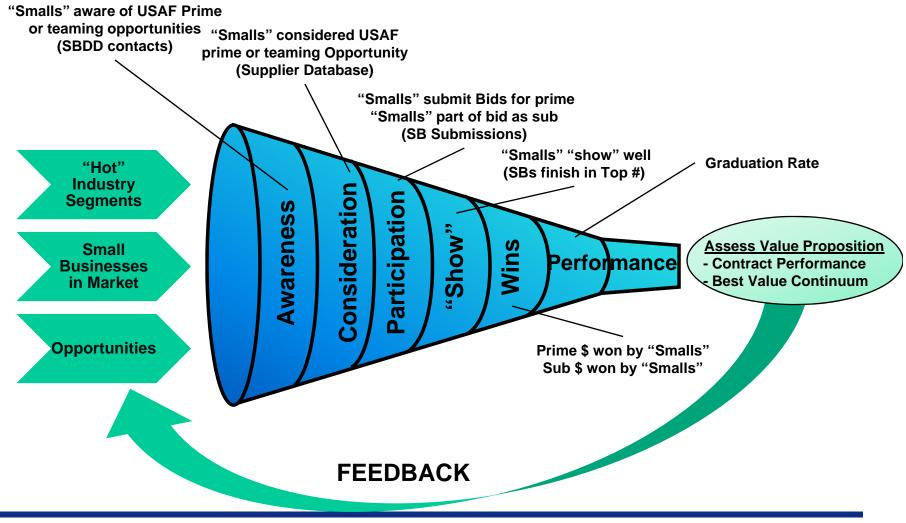
### **SB Value** Tinker AFB SB Success Story

- Tinker AFB requirement for an engine part previously sole sourced to OEM (anticipated value \$101M)
- Small business:
  - Requested approval to manufacture
  - Asked for a waiver from first article because they built it as sub to Pratt
- Source approval package went out competitive SB proposed \$28M (\$73M below estimate)
  - Because of difference in pricing, competition was questionable required a determination of adequate competition (IAW FAR 15.403-1(b)(ii))
  - The determination sided with SB because the chief engineer once held the same position at Pratt & Whitney, SB was capable of understanding the requirement in order to provide a meaningful offer.

Contract awarded to SB – saved the AF \$73M, and was an exceptional performer



## Assessment Framework: How AF SB Program Adds Value





# Keys to Capitalizing on SB Capabilities

- Matching your capabilities with our needs: We need to make this a "Corporate AF Capability"
- 2. Alignment & Synchronization of our Total AF SB Efforts
  - SBIR
  - RIF
  - Rapid Fielding Capabilities
  - Subcontracting
  - Prime contracts



- Need to work together to get products to our warfighters as quickly as possible, at a price we can execute, and a fair and reasonable cost for industry
- Budget environment calls for all of us to be more focused on:
  - Affordability
  - Disciplined Execution
  - Innovation
- Focus on teamwork to maximize the value produced for precious taxpayer dollars

"The success of the military and industry are now mutually related more than ever before. There is no trade space, time or patience to overpromise and under-deliver." - CSAF



## **Questions?**

