DoD Engineering and Better Buying Power 3.0

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Better Buying Power 3.0 (Draft)
Achieving Dominant Capabilities Through Technical Excellence and Innovation

Achieve Affordable Programs
- Continue to set and enforce affordability caps

Achieve Dominant Capabilities While Controlling Lifecycle Costs
- Strengthen and expand “should cost” based cost management
- Build stronger partnerships between the acquisition, requirements, and intelligence communities
- Anticipate and plan for responsive and emerging threats
- Institutionalize stronger DoD level Long Range R&D Planning

Incentivize Productivity in Industry and Government
- Align profitability more tightly with Department goals
- Employ appropriate contract types, but increase the use of incentive type contracts
- Expand the superior supplier incentive program across DoD
- Increase effective use of Performance-Based Logistics
- Remove barriers to commercial technology utilization
- Improve the return on investment in DoD laboratories
- Increase the productivity of IR&D and CR&D

Incentivize Innovation in Industry and Government
- Increase the use of prototyping and experimentation
- Emphasize technology insertion and refresh in program planning
- Use Modular Open Systems Architecture to stimulate innovation
- Increase the return on Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR)
- Provide draft technical requirements to industry early and engage industry in funded concept definition to support requirements definition
- Provide clear “best value” definitions so industry can propose and DoD can choose wisely

Eliminate Unproductive Processes and Bureaucracy
- Emphasize Acquisition Executive, Program Executive Office and Program Manager responsibility, authority, and accountability
- Reduce cycle times while ensuring sound investments
- Streamline documentation requirements and staff reviews

Promote Effective Competition
- Create and maintain competitive environments
- Improve technology search and outreach in global markets

Improve Tradecraft in Acquisition of Services
- Increase small business participation, including more effective use of market research
- Strengthen contract management outside the normal acquisition chain
- Improve requirements definition
- Improve the effectiveness and productivity of contracted engineering and technical services

Improve the Professionalism of the Total Acquisition Workforce
- Establish higher standards for key leadership positions
- Establish stronger professional qualification requirements for all acquisition specialties
- Strengthen organic engineering capabilities
- Ensure the DoD leadership for development programs is technically qualified to manage R&D activities
- Improve our leaders’ ability to understand and mitigate technical risk
- Increase DoD support for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education

Continue Strengthening Our Culture of Cost Consciousness, Professionalism, and Technical Excellence
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Highlighted items are key opportunities for engineering community engagement

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