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Attention: Mr. Thomas Fenerty

Subject: Navmar Applied Sciences Corporation's Support to the Warfighter

Dear Tom,

As you know I have retired from my US Navy civil service career after working over 37 years and ending with a Senior Executive Service (SES) position within the Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR). I served as the Director of NAVAIR 4.5 Avionics and Sensors Department and the director for Rapid Response. One of my responsibilities was oversight of the Special Surveillance Programs (SSP) which included Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) programs. SSP was responsible for specifying, acquiring and integrating electro-optical and infrared equipment into intelligence collecting and reconnaissance systems. Several projects utilized various branches, project engineers and contractors to support and assist in executing ISR programs. Two significant programs involved the acquisition, integration and testing of over 60 unmanned tethered aerostats and UAV systems that were procured, integrated with sensors, tested and delivered to NAVAIR, SSP, Code 4.5 by Navmar Applied Sciences Corporation (NASC).

In August 2009 the Office of the Secretary of Defense - DDR&E initiated the Persistent Ground Surveillance System (PGSS) Program Office as a Joint Concept Technology Demonstration (JCTD) in response to a Joint Urgent Operational Needs Statement (JUONS) request for battlefield force protection at Forward Operating Bases (FOBs). The system was to provide a 360 degree day/night situational awareness sensor system. NAVAIR was appointed as the lead system Integrator and NASC was selected as the principle contractor to provide a rapid response/rapid fielding effort. NASC's role was to acquire, integrate and test over sixty (60) aerostat systems and interface with a command and control operational center over the next five (5) years, then to train, staff and operate the systems OCONUS. This required NASC to recruit, hire, and train over 1,800 employees/subcontractors.

During the same five (5) year time period, NASC was contracted to manufacture over one hundred (100) Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) to provide battlefield communications and Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance, and Counter IED services as well as operate the systems in Iraq and Afghanistan.

NASC received over forty (40) different contracts from NAWC Lakehurst to provide these engineering, acquisition, integration and staffing accomplishments. In the five year period from 2009 through 2014 NASC performed in an outstanding manner; saving many US and coalition partner warfighters' lives and earning the US Navy many commendations. Thankfully there were no fatalities for any of the contractor personnel deployed to Afghanistan and Iraq despite intrusions into one or more of the FOBs by enemy combatants.

The intent of this letter is to recognize NASC's exemplary performance during this extremely demanding period of warfighting operations, and extreme value to the DoD, SOCOM and the US Navy, NAVAIR and the Naval Air Warfare Center-Aircraft Division (NAWC-AD), Patuxent River, Maryland.

Sincerely,



Larry Hollingsworth