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MEMORANDUM FOR JOINT BATTERY TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

SUBJECT: Joint Standardization Board for Power Source Systems

The attached charter establishing the Defense Battery Technical Working Group as a Joint Standardization Board (JSB) for Power Source Systems (PS²) under the Defense Standardization Program (DSP) is approved. The objective of the JSB is to achieve common, mutually satisfactory solutions to shared requirements and problems. The JSB will:

- Authorize, approve, and manage the development and maintenance of specifications/standards (IAW DOD 4120.24-M, Defense Standardization Program Policies and Procedures) that support the development and manufacture of batteries and power source systems;
- Develop and improve joint processes and procedures to facilitate the design, development and acquisition of power source systems that are identical (to the maximum extent possible) and common, while maximizing interoperability;
- Promote standardization and conserve resources in support of Joint Service and Multinational Operations;
- Establish an effective, Department-wide forum for interoperability coordination, planning, and decision making; and provide the interface for commercial/military integration.

Your participation in the DSP's efforts to achieve interoperability for Power Source Systems is appreciated.

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CHARTER DOD JOINT STANDARDIZATION BOARD(JSB) FOR POWER SOURCE SYSTEMS (PS²)

Purpose and Scope:

The purpose of the DoD JSB for Power Source Systems is to:

- Provide senior level (USD AT&L) visibility for standardization and interoperability initiatives.
- Facilitate the development of DoD standards (IAW DoD 4120.24-M, Defense Standardization Program, Policies and Procedures) or Non-Government Standards as applicable.
- Improve interoperability of joint and coalition forces.
- Recommend joint doctrine, tactics, techniques and procedures.
- Establish standardization of parts/components that have lowered cost, reduced inventories, shortened logistics chains and improved readiness.
- Develop joint solutions to issues that impact the Power Source Systems domain.
- Propose funding requirements for specific efforts/projects related to standardization and interoperability goals and objectives.
- Provide the interface for commercial/military integration.

Process:

The DoD JSB for Power Source Systems will perform those functions necessary to achieve standardization and interoperability objectives by the sharing of knowledge, and through the coordination and formulation of solutions related to the creation of standardization policies through the following:

- Participate in the development of national and international standards when developing an overarching DoD standardization strategy to support productions of affordable and readily available military essential power sources systems for the warfighter.
- Promote commonality of component parts or interfaces (as applicable) to enhance supportability by facilitating a coordinated approach to technical management of standards and standardization with joint programs.
- Promote standardization in designs for testing and evaluation.
- Interface with industry, academia and government agencies, as needed, to keep pace with progressing technology.
- Establish and maintain adequate and uniform technical records, i.e., background history and documentation, and serve as a source of subject matter expertise for the DoD.
- Provide the mechanism for exchange of technical information amongst military departments, industry, and allied organization as related to interoperability and commonality of equipment, components, and operational requirements.
- Facilitate coordination of draft documents with industry and industry associations to ensure quality and performance requirements meet the highest industry standards.
- Ensure coordination and integration of activities from working groups on specific taskings for standardizing processes and systems.

• Produce an annual review of the JSB effort. This review shall address actions taken as a result of any findings, conclusions, and recommendations reached by the JSB and will include updates to the DoD in terms of how to formulate strategies for initiatives with the greatest DoD impact and setting priorities for projects in the next fiscal year.

Authority:

Defense Standardization Executive (ADUSD/LP&P) Memo, Subject: Joint Standardization Boards, Dated: 6 June 2006.

Membership:

Ideally, the Board should be composed of members from DoD and other government agencies, industry and industry associations, and academia. The Chairperson will be selected from the principal DoD/Federal Government members and rotated on a cycle determined by those members.

Management and Organization:

- The JSB will serve as a standing technical group for the PS² standardization efforts. It will report to and receive tasking from the chairman on standardization issues of multiservice concern and application.
- The JSB shall include one primary member from each service or organization who is a senior level action officer (O5/O6 or civilian equivalent), and can represent their service or agency position on standardization matters and resource awareness within the scope of the JSB. Should the service or agency primary member be unable to attend a meeting, the primary member may designate an alternate within a component organization. Individuals from other government/commercial organizations, industry associations, and academia may be invited to participate as associate members. Subject matter experts from the aforementioned organization may also be invited to participate.
- Responsibilities of the JSB Chairman will include: Serving as the main interface between the JSB and the individual components; conducting JSB meetings; developing a consensus on standardization issues; ensuring that appropriate meeting minutes are recorded and published; orchestrating briefings and papers for presentation to working groups and relevant conferences; and maintaining an environment which fosters continuous improvement, cooperation, innovation and free information exchange. Chairpersons will be rotated among the permanent members. The order of rotation of the Chairperson will be determined by the primary members (Army, Navy, Air Force, Defense Logistics Agency, and the Missile Defense Agency). Chairperson rotation will occur at the same designated time each year.
- Responsibilities of primary JSB members will include: Active engagement and coordination with other members in all efforts within the JSB; participation on studies, program reviews, IPT's, etc., as required by the JSB. Primary members will be allowed to vote on decisional matters; primary members and members from component organizations will be allowed access to Government, FOUO (FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY), and proprietary information.

- Responsibilities of Associate JSB Members will be the same as members. Associate members will not be allowed to vote on decisional matters and may not be allowed full access to Government, FOUO and proprietary information.
- Administrative expenses of the JSB will be supported by the individual attendees.

Interfaces:

- Representatives of the panels and sub-panels may be invited to serve as ex-officio
 members. Representatives from other government agencies and industry may also be
 invited to serve as ex-officio members.
- Other offices within DoD, various government agencies, and industry may also be invited as ad-hoc participants in the JSB.
- The JSB will interface and coordinate with standards-based activities and other related activities. Program Plans/Memorandums of Understanding may be established between the JSB and sub-panels and ad hoc working groups and other panels and organizations to facilitate jointness, leveraging, and efficiency of information flow.

Meetings and Procedures:

The JSB will meet a minimum of twice each fiscal year in open sessions to perform the group's mission or upon request by a voting principal member. Meetings will be scheduled by the current Chairperson with random site selection to accommodate attendance by members. Representation from the principal member's organization at the action officer level (05/06 or civilian equivalent) is required for all meetings. Functional area and interested organizations will be invited to open general sessions. A list of prioritized items will be made a matter of record in the general session and assigned an OPR to complete tasks as designated by the Chairperson. The Chairperson has the authority to schedule additional meetings or set up sub-committees and working groups in coordination with the principal members, as required, to perform the group's mission.

Duration:

Serves as a continuous group indefinitely unless voted on by the primary members to withdraw.