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The Section 809 Panel is a congressionally mandated panel designed to be a catalyst that restores agility and simplicity to defense acquisition through bold and effective recommendations.

Good morning! We found several articles that you may be interested in.

Inside the Navy's novel network acquisition strategy

September 1, 2018 | Amber Corrin

The Navy's Next Generation Enterprise Networks Recompete has been one of the most closely watched information technology contracts of the past year. The follow-on to the $3.5 billion NGEN program is designed to meet changing requirements, and the process for drafting the request for proposals actively engaged industry. The "open door" development process deviates from traditional approaches, Capt. Don Harder, deputy program executive officer for Navy Enterprise Information Systems, told Federal Times editor Amber Corrin in a recent interview. (The final RFP was expected in July, but at press time was not yet released.)

The original NGEN contract was a brand-new approach, designed from the ground up. With that already in place this time around, why the change in strategy?

I THINK SOME MAY have thought it was just rebound with the old contract, "it's already written, we're working on it, it's okay, it's good enough, just repeat it." I quickly discovered that we were in need of an evolutionary approach, as opposed to a sustainment type of approach. The previous contract had its own program office develop it. We had a very small team, because the original thought was to just take the old, change some words and move forward.

So, with a very small team, we've taken the last year to drive from a standing start of document generation. Even though there had been many discussions over the year before that, in terms of what the Navy wanted to do and some conceptual acquisition strategies associated with it, there had not been a lot of work in terms of generating the documents.

Read more HERE.

Other Articles of Interest

The US Air Force is asking for hypersonic weapon ideas as a new arms race with China and Russia heats up

September 1, 2018 | Ryan Pickrell

Senators order Pentagon, agencies to curb year-end spending sprees

September 1, 2018 | Joe Gould

Air Force continues slashing red tape, starts workforce survey

September 4, 2018 | Scott Maucione

Why supply-chain threats call for urgent, cooperative action
September 1, 2018 | Robert Metzger

Japan eyes record spending on military
September 1, 2018 | Mari Yamaguchi

Industry invited to add its 2 cents as federal government reviews IT [Audio]
September 4, 2018 | Federal Drive

Just like a hull breach, a cyberattack should take seconds to detect
September 1, 2018 | Kelly Jones

Class Deviation – Micro-Purchase Threshold, Simplified Acquisition Threshold, and Special Emergency Procurement Authority
August 31, 2018 | DoD

Labor facing protest of 'winner take all' telecom contract
August 31, 2018 | Jason Miller

With fall approaching, innovation is in the air
August 31, 2018 | Roger Waldron

Russia to stop flying U.S. astronauts to the International Space Station in April, increasing pressure on NASA
September 1, 2018 | Bloomberg

Section 809 News

Check out this month's Bold Bites Podcast! Commissioner Dave Ahern discusses the Defense Acquisition Framework. LISTEN

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