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Chairman David Obey
House Appropriations Committee
H-218, the Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Ranking Member Jerry Lewis
House Appropriations Committee
1016 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Obey & Ranking Member Lewis:

I am requesting \$3,000,000 for Army Responsive Tactical Space System Exerciser (ARTSSE) in fiscal year 2010. The entity to receive funding for this project is J2 Technologies Inc., located at 4801 University Square, Suite 31 Huntsville, AL 35816-1815. The funding would be used to provide the hardware-in-the-loop test capability designed to address the need to define performance requirements, evaluate and execute Operationally Responsive Space programs thus ensuring the warfighter's continued access to space. Taxpayer Justification: Army Responsive Tactical Space System Exerciser (ARTSSE) provides technologies critical to maintaining access to space. ARTSSE supports an unfunded Army need to provide a responsive surge for space based communication, surveillance, and reconnaissance, especially when a change in circumstances brought about by foreign-owned assets requires a response from the U.S. systems within hours or a few days in order to maintain protection of U.S. personnel and assets.

Also, I hereby certify that this request will be made publicly available on my Official Website as required by Chairman Obey's new Committee policy that only posted requests will be considered.

Consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this request (1) is not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable. I further certify that should this request be included in the bill, I will place a statement in the Congressional Record describing how the funds will be spent and justifying the use of federal taxpayer funds.

Sincerely,

Robert B. Aderholt