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Washington, DC 20515

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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 \$7,500,000 for Enhanced Rapid Tactical Integration for Fielding of Systems (ERTIFS) in fiscal year 2010. The entity to receive funding for this project is PeopleTec, Doug Scalf, Linda Maynor, located at PeopleTec, Inc. 4901-D Corporate Drive Huntsville, AL 35805. The funding would be used to support early SoS testing to ensure that interoperability issues are corrected before software is released for formal AIC testing. The ABCS-BA will leverage and evolve ERTIFS to support four types of required Interoperability Tests: 1) Individual System, 2) System of Systems (e.g. Software Blocking), 3) Backwards Compatibility - Interoperability and 4) Regression Testing. Taxpayer Justification: The early identification of these issues will limit cost and schedule overruns on Aviation/Missile Systems prior to expensive hardware tests.

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