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Dated: January 6, 2010.

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Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Manufacturer of Controlled Substances; Notice of Registration

By Notice dated August 28, 2009 and published in the **Federal Register** on September 8, 2009, (74 FR 46232), Noramco Inc., Division of Ortho McNeil, Inc., 500 Swedes Landing Road, Wilmington, Delaware 19801–4417, made application by letter to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to be registered as a bulk manufacturer of Noroxymorphone (9668), a basic class of controlled substance listed in schedule II.

The company plans to bulk manufacture the listed controlled substance as a reference standard for distribution to its customers which are analytical laboratories.

No comments or objections have been received. DEA has considered the factors in 21 U.S.C. 823(a) and determined that the registration of Noramco Inc. to manufacture the listed basic class of controlled substance is consistent with the public interest at this time. DEA has investigated Noramco Inc. to ensure that the company's registration is consistent with the public interest. The investigation has included inspection and testing of the company's physical security systems, verification of the company's compliance with state and local laws, and a review of the company's background and history. Therefore, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 823, and in accordance with 21 CFR 1301.33, the above named company is granted registration as a bulk manufacturer of the basic classes of controlled substances listed.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Manufacturer of Controlled Substances; Notice of Registration

By Notice dated August 28, 2009, and published in the **Federal Register** on September 8, 2009, (74 FR 46233), National Center for Natural Products Research-NIDA MProject, University of Mississippi, 135 Coy Waller Lab Complex, University, Mississippi 38677, made application by renewal to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to be registered as a bulk manufacturer of the basic classes of controlled substances listed in schedule I:

Drug	Schedule
Marihuana (7360) Tetrahydrocannabinols (7370)	

The company plans to cultivate marihuana for the National Institute on Drug Abuse for research approved by the Department of Health and Human Services.

No comments or objections have been received. DEA has considered the factors in 21 U.S.C. 823(a) and determined that the registration of National Center for Natural Products Research-NIDA MProject to manufacture the listed basic classes of controlled substances is consistent with the public interest at this time. DEA has investigated National Center for Natural Products Research-NIDA MProject to ensure that the company's registration is consistent with the public interest. The investigation has included inspection and testing of the company's physical security systems, verification of the company's compliance with state and local laws, and a review of the company's background and history. Therefore, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 823, and in accordance with 21 CFR 1301.33, the above named company is granted registration as a bulk manufacturer of the basic classes of controlled substances listed.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

National Institute of Corrections

Solicitation for a Cooperative Agreement—Curriculum Development: Training for Correctional Industries Directors

AGENCY: National Institute of Corrections, Department of Justice. **ACTION:** Solicitation for a cooperative agreement.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Corrections' (NIC) Transition and Offender Workforce Development (T/ OWD) and Academy Divisions are seeking applications for the development of a competency based, blended modality training curriculum that will provide Correctional Industries Directors with the knowledge, skills and abilities needed to set organizational priorities, identify strategic objectives, create measurable goals, establish collaborative partnerships, utilize current labor market information, and provide specialized services and programming that support the offenders' long term attachment to the labor force. **DATES:** Applications must be received by 4 p.m. EST on Friday, February 12, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Mailed applications must be sent to: Director, National Institute of Corrections, 320 First Street, NW., Room 5007, Washington, DC 20534. Applicants are encouraged to use Federal Express, UPS, or similar service to ensure delivery by the due date.

Hand delivered applications should be brought to 500 First Street, NW., Washington, DC 20534. At the front desk, dial 7–3106, extension 0 for pickup.

Faxed applications will not be accepted. Electronic applications can be submitted via *http://www.grants.gov.* **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** All technical or programmatic questions concerning this announcement should be directed to Michael Guevara, Correctional Program Specialist, National Institute of Corrections. He can be reached by calling 303–365–4415, or by e-mail at *mguevara@bop.gov.* Questions will be accepted until one week prior to the application due date. At this time responses to the questions will be posted on the NIC Web site.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Overview: NIC is looking to develop a curriculum, which follows NIC's Instructional Theory Into Practice (ITIP) model, to be written based on occupational documentation that includes a completed DACUM (*Developing A Curriculum*) and a

DACUM validation for the position of Correctional Industries Director. It is anticipated that the curriculum will utilize blended learning formats to accommodate the possibility of distance learning. The curriculum will be piloted and changes made based upon evaluation of the pilot.

Background: NIC has been committed for years to improving offender transition, workforce development, and correctional industries. In an effort to expand on the resources NIC provides the field in these areas, a DACUM was completed for the job of Correctional Industries Director. This was followed by a DACUM validation. The next step is to create and pilot a training curriculum for this position.

Purpose: To create and pilot a complete training curriculum for Correctional Industries Directors.

Scope of Work: At the end of this Cooperative Agreement, a curriculum will have been developed using NIC's Instructional Theory Into Practice (ITIP) model. This model can be found on NIC's Web site via the following link: http://www.nicic.org/pubs/1992/ 010714.pdf. The curriculum will include a facilitator's manual, participant's manual, and all relevant supplemental material (such as PowerPoint slides, visual and/or audio aids, handouts, exercises, etc.). The use of blended learning tools such as a live web-based training environment (e.g. WebEx) or supplemental on-line training courses is encouraged. Clear learning objectives will be contained in each lesson, and delivery modality will be based on how to most efficiently and effectively achieve these objectives. The curriculum will have been piloted and changes incorporated as necessary. A pre-and post-test, as well as quizzes will have been developed as necessary. Consideration will be given to advance work for participants, such as reading assignments or taking an online course through NIC's Learning Center. An evaluation, to be distributed at the conclusion of the training, will also have been developed. This evaluation will examine the content, processes, and delivery of the program. The evaluation will be designed with the purpose in mind of helping to revise and improve the training and curriculum. After it is developed under this cooperative agreement, the proposed evaluation protocol must be submitted to NIC for review and approval before use.

Specific Requirements: The training curriculum will be based on a recently established needs assessment identified through the use of a DACUM for Correctional Industries Directors. Modules may address the following: Dynamic Leadership; Financial Self-Sufficiency; Offender Workforce Development; Marketing Strategies; Staff Workforce Competencies; Stakeholder Network; Internal and External Customer Satisfaction; Reentry Services; Organizational Performance; Engaging in Legislative Processes, and Balancing Internal/External Environments.

Document Requirements: The following are the expected document requirements. Note: Publications produced under this award must follow the "Guidelines for Preparing and Submitting Manuscripts for Publication" as found in the General Guidelines for Cooperative Agreements included in the award package. All final publications submitted for posting on the NIC Web site must meet the federal government's requirement for accessibility (508 PDF or HTML file). All documents developed under this cooperative agreement must be submitted in draft form to NIC for review before the final products are delivered.

Application Requirements: Applications should be concisely written, contain no more than 20 double spaced typed pages (exclusive of resumes and summaries of experience), and reference the project by the "NIC Opportunity Number" and Title in this announcement. The package must include: a cover letter that identifies the audit agency responsible for the applicant's financial accounts as well as the audit period or fiscal year that the applicant operates under (e.g., July 1 through June 30); a program narrative in response to the statement of work and a budget narrative explaining projected costs. The following forms must also be included: OMB Standard Form 424, Application for Federal Assistance; OMB Standard Form 424A, Budget information-Non-Construction Programs; OMB Standard Form 424B, Assurances—Non-Construction Programs (these forms are available at http://www.grants.gov) and DOJ/NIC Certification Regarding Lobbying; Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; and the Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (available at http://www.nicic.gov/Downloads/ PDF/certif-frm.pdf.)

Applications may be submitted in hard copy, or electronically via *http:// www.grants.gov.* If submitted in hard copy, there needs to be an original and three copies of the full proposal (program and budget narratives, application forms and assurances). The original should have the applicant's signature in blue ink.

Authority: Public Law 93-415.

Funds Available: NIC is seeking the applicant's best ideas regarding accomplishment of the scope of work and the related costs for achieving the goals of this solicitation. Funds may only be used for the activities that are linked to the desired outcome of the project.

This project will be a collaborative venture with NIC's Transition & Offender Workforce Development and Academy Divisions.

Eligibility of Applicants: An eligible applicant is any public or private agency, educational institution, organization, individual or team with expertise in the described areas.

Review Considerations: Applications received under this announcement will be subjected to a 3 to 5 person NIC Peer Review Process. The criteria for the evaluation of each application will be as follows:

Programmatic (60%)

Is there demonstrated knowledge of curriculum development? Is a specific model of curriculum development (e.g. ITIP) proposed? Is there demonstrated knowledge of training for leadership and executive positions? Is there demonstrated knowledge of techniques and/or interventions that successfully address acquisition and retention of new knowledge, skills and abilities? Does the proposal include blended and distance learning approaches? Are project goals/tasks adequately discussed? Is there a clear statement of how project goals will be accomplished, to include: major tasks that will lead to achieving the goal, the strategies to be employed, required staffing and other required resources? Are there any innovative approaches, techniques, or design aspects proposed that will enhance the project?

Organizational (20%)

Do the skills, knowledge, and expertise of the organization and the proposed project staff demonstrate a high level of competency to carry out the tasks? Does the applicant/ organization have the necessary experience and organizational capacity to carry out all goals of the project? Are the proposed project management and staffing plans realistic and sufficient to complete the project within the 12month time frame?

Project Management/Administration (20%)

Does the applicant identify reasonable objectives, milestones, and measures to track progress? If consultants and/or partnerships are proposed, is there a reasonable justification for their inclusion in the project and a clear structure to ensure effective coordination? Is the proposed budget realistic, does it provide sufficient cost detail/narrative, and does it represent good value relative to the anticipated results?

Note: NIC will NOT award a cooperative agreement to an applicant who does not have a Dun and Bradstreet Database Universal Number (DUNS) and is not registered in the Central Contractor Registry (CCR).

A DUNS number can be received at no cost by calling the dedicated toll-free DUNS number request line at 1–800– 333–0505 (if you are a sole proprietor, you would dial 1–866–705–5711 and select option 1).

Registration in the CRR can be done online at the CCR Web site: *http:// www.ccr.gov.* A CCR Handbook and worksheet can also be reviewed at the Web site.

Number of Awards: One.

NIC Opportunity Number: 10A30. This number should appear as a reference line in the cover letter, where indicated on Standard Form 424, and outside of the envelope in which the application is sent.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 16.601. Executive Order 12372: This project is not subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372)

Morris L. Thigpen,

Director, National Institute of Corrections. [FR Doc. 2010–505 Filed 1–12–10; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4410–36–P

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation (NSF).

ACTION: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request and Final Notice of a Uniform Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) format.

SUMMARY: Effective with publication of this Notice in the Federal Register, agencies will be able to utilize a new uniform format for reporting performance progress on Federallyfunded research projects. The Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) will directly benefit award recipients by making it easier for them to administer Federal grant and cooperative agreement programs through standardization of the types of information required in interim performance reports—thereby reducing their administrative effort and costs. The RPPR will also make it easier to compare the outputs, outcomes, etc. of

research programs across the government.

The RPPR resulted from an initiative of the Research Business Models (RBM) Subcommittee of the Committee on Science (CoS), a committee of the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC). One of the RBM Subcommittee's priority areas is to create greater consistency in the administration of Federal research awards. Given the increasing complexity of interdisciplinary and interagency research, it is important for Federal agencies to manage awards in a similar fashion. Upon implementation, the RPPR will be used by agencies that support research and research-related activities for use in submission of interim progress reports. It is intended to replace other interim performance reporting formats currently in use by agencies. The RPPR does not change the performance reporting requirements specified in 2 CFR part 215 (OMB Circular A–110) and the Common Rule implementing OMB Circular A-102.

Each category in the RPPR is a separate reporting component. Agencies will direct recipients to report on the one mandatory component ("Accomplishments"), and also may direct them to report on optional components, as appropriate. Within a particular component, agencies may direct recipients to complete only specific questions, as not all questions within a given component may be relevant to all agencies. Agencies may develop an agency- or program-specific component, if necessary, to meet programmatic requirements, although agencies should minimize the degree to which they supplement the standard components. Such agency- or programspecific requirements will require review and clearance by OMB.

Agencies also may use other OMBapproved reporting formats, such as the Performance Progress Report (PPR), if those formats are better suited to the agency's reporting requirements, for example, for research centers/institutes, clinical trials, or fellowship/training awards or in connection to reporting on program performance, through mechanisms such as the Performance Assessment Rating Tool.

On behalf of the RBM Subcommittee, the National Science Foundation (NSF) has agreed to serve as sponsor of this new format. We anticipate this being the final notice before the format and instructions are finalized. The general public and Federal agencies, however, are invited to comment on the proposed final format during the 30 day public comment period. The Government-wide RPPR is posted on the NSF Web site at: http://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/ rppr/index.jsp.

Comments: In compliance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the National Science Foundation is publishing the following summary of a proposed collection for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

DATES: Comments must be received by *February 12, 2010.*

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, Division of Administrative Services, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22230, e-mail *splimpton@nsf.gov;* telephone: (703) 292–7556; fax: (703) 292–9188. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877– 8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including Federal holidays.

We encourage respondents to submit comments electronically to ensure timely receipt. We cannot guarantee that comments mailed will be received before the comment closing date. Please include "*Research Performance Progress Reporting*" in the subject line of the email message; please also include the full body of your comments in the text of the message, and as an attachment. Include your name, title, organization, postal address, telephone number, and e-mail address in your message.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the RPPR, contact Jean Feldman; Head, Policy Office, Division of Institution & Support; National Science Foundation; 4201 Wilson Blvd; Arlington, VA 22230; e-mail: *jfeldman@nsf.gov;* telephone: (703) 292– 8243; fax: (703) 292–9171.

For further information on the NSTC RBM Subcommittee, contact Diane DiEuliis, at the Office of Science and Technology Policy, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503; e-mail: *ddieuliis@ostp.eop.gov*; telephone: 202–