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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Technical Data Rights Strategy (TDRS) and the Technology Development Strategy (TDS)/Acquisition Strategy (AS)

1. References:

a. Memorandum, Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics) (PDUSD(AT&L)), 20 April 2011, subject: Document Streamlining–Program Strategies and Systems Engineering Plan.

b. Memorandum, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology), SAAL-PA, 9 September 2010, subject: Data Management Strategy (DMS) Guidebook and Worksheet.

2. Reference 1.a. published guidance on the streamlining of the TDS/AS. This guidance included an outline for the TDS/AS, including the TDRS. This change in guidance was a significant departure from the earlier guidance on the DMS. The streamlining action in no way diminishes the importance of the TDRS or the underlying analysis required to determine the technical data and associated data rights necessary to ensure competitive life-cycle strategies.

3. Title 10 United States Code Sections 2320 and 2321 outline the Government's responsibilities with respect to rights in technical data, the need to identify the Government's need for technical data, and our responsibility to challenge the assertions of proprietary data by vendors. The need for technical data applies to both products and services.

4. Reference 1.b. was published as an aid to assist the acquisition workforce in conducting a detailed analysis in support of the DMS. The guidebook and worksheet remain valid to the development of a TDRS and can be found at https://www.us.army.mil/suite/files/24457631. The enclosed addendum is forwarded to aid you in cross-walking the old DMS content to the new TDRS content in paragraph 7.6 of the TDS/AS.

5. The Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology) in coordination with the U.S. Army Materiel Command (USAMC) Product Engineering Work Group is in the process of a complete rewrite of the DMS (now known as TDRS) guidebook and worksheet. We anticipate publishing this revised document in the fall of 2012. Program Executive Officers and the USAMC Life Cycle Management

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Commands are encouraged to identify candidates to assist in the development of this product. Forward names and contact information to my point of contact shown below.

6. The point of contact is Dr. Roger D. Hamerlinck, SAAL-PA, (703) 617-0246, or e-mail: roger.d.hamerlinck.civ@mail.mil.

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