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RE: ONR-BAA-07-040 Topics 3A and 3B.2.

Dear Chris:

McLane Research Laboratories Inc is pleased to support further development and commercialization of the technology described in your proposal to ONR-BAA-07-040 Topics 3A and 3B.2. As an oceanographic equipment manufacturing company with a 25-year history of successful deployments of time-series *in situ* pumps, valves, and filter sampling systems, we look forward to observing the detailed manufacturing process and deployment requirements of the next generation Environmental Sample Processor (ESP).

In addition, we expect that our close proximity to and prior successful collaborations with Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution will be beneficial to the project. As an industry partner during this next phase of sampler development, we expect that we will be able to combine our existing knowledge and experience in the oceanographic sampler market to improve the prospects for future commercialization of the ESP.

We look forward to working together on this project.

Sincerely,

Michael Mathewson
General Manager