

FORM 442 QUESTION 7: EXPERIMENTATION DESCRIPTION

Moog Navigation and Surveillance Systems (NaSS) designs, develops, and manufactures Tactical Air Navigation (TACAN) equipment and Distance Measuring Equipment (DME) for military and commercial applications.

As the equipment is developed, it must be tested in real-world conditions in order to ensure that it operates as intended and required. Also, equipment returned to NaSS for repair often must be tested before being returned to the customer. In addition, existing models of equipment must be tested after being modified for any of the following reasons:

- Redesign to replace obsolete components
- Redesign to improve performance and/or efficiency
- Modification due to requirements of a specific customer.

The existing equipment that would be covered by the license being applied for includes:

- MM-7000 Series – A family of TACAN systems for fixed-base, shipboard, mobile, and portable applications. The MM-7000 is available in various sizes and configurations and with many options, and is now in use in the United States and several other countries throughout the world. Various models and configurations of the MM-7000 are currently in production, including the portable MM-7000 MP and a reduced-cost version of the full-size MM-7000.
- AN/URN-32 – A derivative of the MM-7000 used by the U.S. Navy as a replacement for the obsolete AN/URN-25 in both fixed-base and shipboard applications. The system is currently in production.
- AN/TRN-47 – A derivative of the AN/TRN-41 used by the U.S. Marine Corps. The system is currently in production.
- 2010 – A TACAN system used in several countries throughout the world in both fixed-base and mobile applications. The system is currently in production.
- 2020 – A DME system used in fixed-base applications in several countries throughout the world. The system is currently in production.
- 2030 – An HRDF system used in fixed-base applications in several countries throughout the world. The system is currently in production.
- AS-3240A – A TACAN antenna used primarily with shipboard applications, but which can also be used with fixed-base and mobile applications. The antenna is currently in production.
- AS-4502 – A TACAN antenna used with the AN/TRN-41 and AN/TRN-47 portable TACAN systems. The antenna is currently in production.
- dBS 900E – A TACAN antenna used with fixed-base applications. The antenna is currently in production.
- dBS 950ET – A TACAN antenna used with mobile and fixed-base applications. The antenna is currently in production.
- dBS 990ES – A TACAN antenna meant to succeed AS-3240A with shipboard applications. The antenna is currently in development, and will soon be in production.

Current research and experimentation includes development and testing of a portable TACAN system using MM-7000 technology and the development and testing of the dBS 950 TACAN antenna. These programs are estimated to be completed within the next 24 months.

The ongoing research and experimentation by NaSS will provide TACAN and DME systems and antennas with increased efficiency and reliability over systems currently in use, as well as providing faster and easier diagnostic and repair procedures and lower power requirements, all of which will contribute to lower cost and energy usage, with less down time, for customers.

For over 40 years, the research and development efforts of NaSS and its predecessor organizations have provided continual improvement in TACAN systems, and this will continue in the future.