

**Attachment B**  
**One-page Questionnaire**



# 2013 Microbusiness Innovation Science and Technology Survey

[Business name goes here]

## A. OVERALL COMPANY INFORMATION

If you have more than one business, please answer only for the business named above.

1. Did your company have any revenues or grants in 2013?

Yes → Go to Question 2.

No → Go to Question 12.

2. Did another company own more than 50 percent of your company at any time during 2013?

Yes → Go to Question 12.

No → Go to Question 3.

3. How important to you are each of the following reasons for owning your company?

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not important
a. Wanted to be my own boss	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Flexible hours	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Opportunity for greater income	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Best avenue for my ideas/goods/services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Had to start company to find work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

f. Please list any other important reasons for owning your own company:

## E. SCIENTIFIC AND ENGINEERING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (R&D)

4. During 2013, did your company do any of the following R&D activities? *Include activities that:*

- Your company performed
- Others paid your company to do
- Your company paid others to do

	Yes	No
a. Conducted work that might lead to a patent	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Developed and tested prototypes that were derived from scientific research or technical findings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. Produced findings that could be published in academic journals or presented at scientific conferences	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. Applied scientific or technical knowledge in a way that has never been done before	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. Created new scientific or technical solutions that can be generalized to other situations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f. Conducted work to discover previously unknown scientific facts, structures, or relationships	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g. Conducted work to extend the understanding of scientific facts, relationships or principles in ways that could be useful to others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. Did you answer "Yes" to any activities in Question 4?

Yes → Continue with Question 6.

No → Go to Question 12.

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6. What was the total cost in thousands in 2013 for all the R&D activities you answered "Yes" to in Question 4? Your best estimate is fine. Please include all costs:

- Salaries, wages, fringe benefits
- Equipment, materials, supplies, software
- Rent, utilities
- Consultants, contractors

\$  ,000 Total cost for R&D activities reported in Question 4 for 2013

7. How much of the amount in Question 6 was for purchasing R&D services from others? Your best estimate is fine.

Costs of R&D services purchased from others

8. To calculate the costs of R&D services you performed, please subtract Question 7 from Question 6 and enter the amount here.

\$  ,000 Costs of R&D services you performed

9. Of the total R&D amount you reported in Question 8, what percent was for each of the following types of costs?

a. Salaries, wages, and fringe benefits for company's employees	<input type="text"/>	%
b. Equipment	<input type="text"/>	%
c. Software purchases and licenses	<input type="text"/>	
d. Other costs (e.g., consultants, contractors, travel, rent)	<input type="text"/>	%
TOTAL		100%

10. Of the total R&D amount you reported in Question 8, how much was paid for by the following sources?

a. Your company	<input type="text"/>	%
b. Another U.S. company	<input type="text"/>	%
c. U.S. university or college	<input type="text"/>	
d. U.S. non-profit organization	<input type="text"/>	%
e. U.S. Federal government (including R&D grants)	<input type="text"/>	
f. U.S. state or local government (not including state universities)	<input type="text"/>	
g. Other (specify):	<input type="text"/>	%
TOTAL		100%

11. How many people worked on the R&D activities you reported in Question 4 for the pay period that included March 12, 2013?

	Number of people
a. Owners	<input type="text"/>
b. Employees who received a W-2 issued by your company for salary or wages	<input type="text"/>
c. Other paid workers (e.g., contractors, consultants, temporary workers)	<input type="text"/>
d. Unpaid workers	<input type="text"/>
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e. Total	<input type="text"/>

## H. CONTACT INFORMATION

12. Please provide the following information for the person we may contact regarding the answers to this survey.

Name

Title

Telephone  Extension

Fax  Extension

E-mail address

**Thank you for your participation in this survey.**

Please return your completed questionnaire to:

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