



HHS Requires Bidders in Competitive Range for Recombinant Anthrax Vaccine (rPA) Contract to Submit Development Plan to FDA for Review

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Emergent welcomes additional step by HHS to further mitigate development risk Emergent continues to advance its rPA program to position itself for execution of anticipated contract

ROCKVILLE, Md., Apr 16, 2009 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Emergent BioSolutions Inc. (NYSE:EBS) announced today that late on April 15th, HHS requested that each bidder in the competitive range for the rPA contract submit its product development plans to FDA for review in advance of an award. Emergent had already requested and is presently scheduling a meeting with the FDA as part of its pre-award activity. The Company intends to incorporate any FDA comments into its rPA development plan. Emergent will continue to move its rPA program forward to position the company to execute on the anticipated contract, once awarded.

"We strongly support this step by HHS, which potentially reduces development risk for our rPA vaccine candidate. We remain confident that we are well-positioned and competitive to receive any award granted by HHS for the development and procurement of the rPA vaccine. We look forward to continuing our long-standing relationship with the US Government as the proven and preeminent supplier of medical countermeasures to protect our nation," said Fuad El-Hibri, chairman and chief executive officer of Emergent BioSolutions.

As with any government solicitation of this size and scope, there are no assurances that HHS will not impose additional requirements, which may further extend contract negotiations.

This action has no impact on the company's existing contracts with HHS to supply BioThrax(R), the only FDA licensed anthrax vaccine, for the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS). This year Emergent is completing the delivery of 18.75 million doses of BioThrax for inclusion in the SNS. Also this year, following the completion of that delivery, Emergent will begin to supply HHS with an additional 14.5 million doses of BioThrax under a follow-on contract. The total value of these two procurement contracts with HHS for BioThrax exceeds \$800 million.

About Emergent BioSolutions Inc.

Emergent BioSolutions Inc. is a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development, manufacture and commercialization of vaccines and therapeutics that assist the body's immune system to prevent or treat disease. Emergent's marketed product, BioThrax^(R) (Anthrax Vaccine Adsorbed), is the only vaccine licensed by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for the prevention of anthrax. Emergent's development pipeline includes programs focused on anthrax, botulism, tuberculosis, typhoid, hepatitis B and chlamydia. Additional information may be found at www.emergentbiosolutions.com.

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