

April 08, 2013

Dear MAA Members,

Re: Nominations for Manitoba Aerospace Technology Roadmap Thrust Groups

In the past two months the Manitoba Aerospace Association has supported a key initiative to create a Technology Road Map (TRM) for the Manitoba aerospace industry. The TRM process will allow us to identify the technology themes and collaborative mechanisms for the Manitoba aerospace industry to needed to move our industry forward over the next 10+ year timeframe.

Through the workshop held in January to review and respond to the Emerson Review, we identified six priority Technology Thrust Areas which we believe will be important to our industry in that timeline.

At this time we are asking for your firm's interest in supporting these Thrust Groups and to consider recommending members of your organization to participate in this exercise by nominating participants from your enterprise for the appropriate Working Group(s).

Attached to this email are several documents which can assist you in your review and decision process.

1. The six Tech Thrust Areas (MA Tech Thrust Areas rev 1 – ppt)
This slide presentation identified the six thrust areas that we are working with.
2. Terms of Reference for Thrust Areas (TOR Thrust Area Master Manitoba –doc)
This document provides the background materials and terms of reference for the Thrust Area Working Groups
3. Working Group report template (THRUST AREA WORKING GROUP REPORT TEMPLATE Manitoba – doc)
Each Working Group will be expected to produce a final report of 4 – 12 pages. This is the report template.
4. Timelines (Working Group Timelines – April 2013 – excel)
This is a representation of the timelines under which the working groups are expected to work.

We notionally have considered that each Working Group participant will be contributing to a 40 hour project over the next 8 – 10 weeks. This work is non-reimbursed as each participant is expected to support their own costs of participation. This entire program will be staged in Winnipeg.

Please forward your firm's nominee(s) to Alfonz Koncan, TRM Steering Committee Secretary, by Monday April 15th. The TRM process will kick off with a launch meeting on Thursday, April 18th, at 1pm at the Composites Innovation Centre.

We hope you will consider participating in this future building initiative.

Regards,

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