

Commercial Service Agreements (CSAs)

The Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division Lakehurst, known as NAVAIR Lakehurst, is part of the Naval Aviation Systems Team. NAVAIR research and development programs have produced non-military applications. Examples are:

- Fire-retardant fibers in clothing that save countless lives
- Corrosion prevention compounds that extend the lives of our cars and trucks
- Light-sensitive lenses developed for aircraft crew helmets that bring better vision to those with eye defects
- Improved illness diagnosis from acoustic processing techniques built into scanning equipment

Commercial customers can now use Navy facilities and services through the enactment of several laws:

- Title 10, U.S. Code, Section 2539b—The Navy may enter into service agreements with commercial customers to provide testing services of materials, equipment, models, computer software, and other items in our Navy Working Capital Fund (NWCF) laboratories.
- Title 10, U.S. Code, Section 2553—The Navy may enter into agreements with commercial customers for the sale of goods and services.

What Is a CSA?

The CSA is a tool used to document the relationship between the customer and NAVAIR Lakehurst including:

- Procedures necessary to use NAVAIR Lakehurst resources and services
- Limits and constraints that may be imposed during the period of use
- Financial and administrative requirements and responsibilities of both parties

How CSA Partners Benefit

Under a CSA, engineers and scientists at NAVAIR Lakehurst work cooperatively with their peers in industry, academia, or state/local government. The customer may contract for NAVAIR Lakehurst resources, services, facilities, and laboratories.

- A CSA gives direct access to federally developed laboratories and facilities
- Data generated under the agreement are the property of the customer
- Licenses to pre-existing NAVAIR Lakehurst patents are available as appropriate
- NAVAIR Lakehurst is able to “hire out” under-utilized facilities and laboratories
- NAVAIR Lakehurst infrastructure costs are reduced
- Customers can leverage NAVAIR Lakehurst facilities and laboratories to reduce their own physical plant costs

To learn how you and your company can take advantage of the capabilities at NAVAIR Lakehurst, contact

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