General Position Information

Job Title: PB406 - Cost Analyst - GS-15

Salary Range: $99,172 - $166,500 (not applicable for detailees)

Vacancy Open Period: 03/15/2019 – 03/15/2020

Position Type: Cadre, Detailee

Who May Apply: Internal and External Candidates, Detailees

Division: SRA/PR

Duty Location: McLean, VA

Security Clearance: TS/SCI with CI Polygraph

Travel Required: 0-25% Travel

Relocation Expenses: For new ODNI employees, reimbursement for relocation is discretionary based on availability of funds.

Job Interview Travel: Candidates from outside the Washington, D.C., area may be selected for a telephone, teleconference, or in-person interview. If selected for an in-person interview, any travel or lodging will be at the applicant’s personal expense.

Position Information

*** OPEN UNTIL FILLED: This announcement will be open until the position is filled. Cut off points are scheduled in two-week increments. After each cut-off point, all compliant applications received during the previous two weeks will be reviewed for consideration.***

This is an opportunity for:

- An internal or external candidate to fill a GS-15 cadre position.

- This is an opportunity for a GS-15 cadre staff reserve position in the ODNI. Staff reserve appointments are time-limited appointments made for a period of up to 3 years, with a possible extension up to 2 additional years.

- A Federal Government employee to serve on a two-year reimbursable detail assignment in the ODNI. The detail assignment may be extended an additional year if all parties agree.

Who May Apply

Current GS employees at the same grade or up to two grades lower than the advertised position grade may apply.

Former members of the Peace Corps may be considered for ODNI employment only if five full years have elapsed since separation from the Peace Corps.

- For a cadre assignment:
- Current ODNI permanent cadre.

- Current ODNI Staff Reserve Employees. (A staff reserve employee who currently occupies this position may not apply.)

- Current Federal Government employees. (Current GS employees at the same grade or up to two grades lower than the advertised position grade may apply.)

- Candidates outside the Federal Government.

  - For a detaillee assignment:

    - Current Federal Government employees. (Current GS employees at the same grade or up to two grades lower than the advertised position grade may apply.)

**Salary Determination**

- The ODNI uses a rank-in-person system in which rank is attached to the individual. A selected ODNI candidate or other Federal Government candidate will be assigned to the position at the employee's current GS grade and salary.

- For a selected non-Federal Government candidate, salary will be established within the salary range listed above, based on education and experience.

- A current Federal Government employee, selected for a detail, will be assigned to the position at his or her current grade and salary.

**Component Mission**

The Assistant Director of National Intelligence for Systems and Resource Analyses (ADNI/SRA) is the principle staff assistant and advisor to the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) on matters pertaining to program analyses, evaluation, and resource allocation through independent analyses and advice relevant to the National Intelligence Program (NIP) and the Military Intelligence Program. As the principle advisor to the DNI on these matters, the ADNI/SRA analyzes, evaluates, and provides alternative plans, programs, and budgets for DNI priority objectives, projected threats, estimated costs, and resource constraints.

**Major Duties and Responsibilities (MDRs)**

- Oversee the calculation and forecasting of the future costs of systems, projects/programs, resources, to support independent studies, key strategic programs, investment decisions, and various management reviews (e.g. milestone reviews, budget reviews).

- Serve as a team lead or senior analyst responsible for leading, planning, and conducting independent cost analyses for major acquisition systems to support IC acquisition, strategy, programming, and funding decisions.

- Lead and plan the development of multifaceted models and tools to estimate program costs including development, procurement, operation and maintenance phases, time phased spending and budget profiles, program schedule projections, and probability distributions incorporating program risk factors.
• Lead, manage and monitor cost analyses throughout the IC that estimate performance against program execution; lead, develop, and implement processes to track estimating metrics, enhance cost estimating practices, and conduct cost research.

• Lead the planning and development of controls and provide expert technical analyses, budgetary advice, and guidance regarding the development and implementation of resource allocations and plans in order to defend budget activities.

• Oversee, develop, investigate, and apply new cost methods and approaches, propose new cost strategies, and develop cost estimating policies using a wide range of analytical and statistical techniques such as linear programming, multiple regression, probability, sensitivity analysis, and learning curves.

• Conduct analysis and provide recommendations by applying expert knowledge of a broad range of cost analysis strategies to include mathematics, statistical analysis, parametric and non-parametric analysis, computer modeling, decision theory, mathematical programming, regression analysis, and economic analysis.

• Lead, plan, coordinate, and conduct independent cost analysis ensuring technical appropriateness, soundness, and accurate interpretation of results.

Mandatory and Educational Requirements

• Expert knowledge of and experience in estimating the cost of overhead IC collection systems including space, ground and tasking, processing, exploitation, and dissemination programs. Superior knowledge of cost estimating tools (i.e. ACEIT, Crystal Ball, and Price H).

• Expert knowledge and experience in applying the principles, theories and methods of cost analysis, operations research, engineering, economic analysis and resource management to acquisition issues.

• Expert knowledge of analytic tools and data development, organization and analysis for use in studies and analyses. Superior ability to analyze data and use quantitative financial analysis; identify financial issues and present results to senior managers.

• Expert knowledge of IC acquisition processes, including planning, programming and budgeting.

• Expert experience in designing and performing innovative cost analyses in support of trade studies, analysis of alternatives, affordability assessments, long term strategic planning and program development activities.

• Superior oral and written communication skills that display a superior ability to tailor explanations and presentations to various audiences who have different values, cultures, and backgrounds. Superior ability to work effectively with various levels of leadership within Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) and IC.

Desired Requirements

• Professional certification in cost estimating or related field highly desired including Department of Defense (DoD) Level III Cost Estimating, Society of Cost Estimating and Analysis, International Society of Parametric Analysis (ISAP) or similar certification
Expert ability to develop consensus recommendations and to solicit input from colleagues and peers; proven ability to remain open-minded and change opinions on the basis of new information and requirements.

Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university that includes a course of study of at least 24 semester hours in operations research, mathematics, statistics or other subject requiring competence in mathematical problem solving.

Key Requirements and How To Apply

Internal ODNI Candidates:

A complete application package must include:

a. **RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.

b. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required in the cover letter if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.

c. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.

d. **COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.

**WHERE TO SUBMIT:** Applications should be sent to either DNI_COO_TM_HR_OPS_TEAM_B_WMA@cia.ic.gov (classified email system) or Recruitment_TeamB@dni.gov (unclassified email system). Applicants submitting via JWICS are requested to submit their materials to both joswida@dni.ic.gov (Daniel J.) and mitchsl@dni.ic.gov (Stephanie M.) in lieu of the group address above. All attachments should be in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format.

Applications submitted through the classified email system should NOT contain classified information above the TS//SI/TK//NOFORN level.

External Candidates:

Key Requirements:

- U.S. Citizenship.
- Successful completion of CI polygraph and background investigation.
- Successful completion of a ODNI medical screening.
- A two-year trial period is required for all new permanent appointments to the ODNI.

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e. **SF-50:** Current or former Federal Government employees must provide an SF-50, “Notification of Personnel Action” to verify current federal status, position, title, grade, and organization of record.

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Current Federal Employees Applying for a Detail Assignment:

**Applicants from federal agencies within the Intelligence Community (IC)** may be considered for this position as a reimbursable detailee, if endorsed by the employing agency. Applicants must have current TS/SCI clearances with polygraph or have the ability to obtain one. The ODNI does not conduct polygraphs or provide security clearances for detailees. **Applicants from within the IC must submit an application through the classified IC Joint Duty Program website.**

**Applicants from federal agencies outside the IC** must provide:

a. **WRITTEN ENDORSEMENT** from the employing agency concurring with the detail.

b. **RESUME:** Applicants are encouraged to carefully review the vacancy announcement, particularly the MDRs, and construct their resume to highlight their most significant experience and qualifications relevant to this job opportunity.

c. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS:** Applicants are required to provide their two most recent performance evaluations. A justification is required in the cover letter if the applicant is unable to provide the two most recent evaluations.

d. **VACANCY NUMBER:** Reference the vacancy number in the subject line of the email and on each document submitted.
e. **CURRENT SF-50:** Federal Government employees must provide an SF-50, “Notification of Personnel Action” to verify current federal status, position, title, grade, and organization of record. Please disregard if you are not a Federal Government employee.

f. **COVER LETTER:** Applicants must submit a cover letter as a supplement to the resume to elaborate on their qualifications and previous work performed.

**WHERE TO SUBMIT:** Applications should be sent to either DNI_COO_TM_HR_OPS_TEAM_B_WMA@cia.ic.gov (classified email system) or Recruitment_TeamB@dni.gov (unclassified email system). Applicants submitting via JWICS are requested to submit their materials to both joswida@dni.ic.gov (Daniel J.) and mitchsl@dni.ic.gov (Stephanie M.) in lieu of the group address above. All attachments should be in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format.

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**All Applicants:**

**APPLICATION PACKAGES MUST CONTAIN ALL ITEMS LISTED ABOVE. AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE WILL BE INELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.**

Your application MUST be received by midnight on the closing date of this announcement. Applications received after the closing date will NOT be eligible for consideration.

To verify receipt of your application package ONLY, you may call 301-243-1318.

**What To Expect Next**

The most highly qualified candidates will be referred to the hiring manager for further consideration and possible interview. We expect to make a selection within 30 days of the closing date of this announcement. Due to the large number of applications received, applicants will be contacted ONLY if they have been selected for an interview.

**Agency Contact Information**

ODNI Recruitment; Phone: 301-243-1318; Email: Recruitment_TeamB@dni.gov

**Other Information**

The ODNI offers a broad array of benefits programs and family friendly flexibilities for ODNI cadre.

- Long-Term Care Insurance: http://www.ltcpeds.com
- Federal Employees Retirement SYSTEM (FERS) (new employees automatically covered):
  http://www.opm.gov/retire/index.asp If you are transferring from another agency and covered by the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS), you may continue in that system.


- Flexible Spending Accounts for Health Care and Dependent Care: http://www.fsfeds.com/fsafeds/index.asp

- Paid Federal Holidays

- Alternative Work Schedules

The ODNI is an equal opportunity employer and abides by applicable employment laws and regulations.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: The ODNI provides reasonable accommodations to otherwise qualified applicants with disabilities. IF YOU NEED A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the Intelligence Community Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity Office Representative by classified email at DNI_Reasonable_Accommodation_WMA@cia.ic.gov and DNI_Diversity_WMA@cia.ic.gov, by unclassified email at DNI_DRA@dni.gov, by telephone at 703-275-3799 or by FAX at 703-275-1217. Your request for reasonable accommodation will be addressed on a case-by-case basis. PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TO THE EEOC EMAIL ADDRESS. THIS EMAIL IS FOR REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION REQUESTS ONLY. PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION VIA THE EMAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED IN THE ‘HOW TO APPLY’ SECTION ABOVE.