**U.S. Navy awards contract to Bedford firm**

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**BEDFORD –** Bedford-based 5D Analytics, LLC, is one of seven Indiana businesses and one of 608 businesses nationwide, designated as a Prime SEAPORT-e contractor by the United States Navy’s SEAPORT Contract Office at Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren, Va.

 SEAPORT-e contracts, which comprise an estimated $4 billion in services yearly, encompass more than 20 practical service areas, such as research and development support; modeling, simulation, stimulation and analysis support; acquisition logistics support and training support. The Navy will award funding as businesses win contracts and complete orders.

 According to company owner, Wes Evans, “We are excited about this opportunity, and are grateful to have received this designation as an emerging small business. We’re expecting this award will open opportunities for 5D Analytics, our teammates and the Lawrence County community at-large.

 “We owe a debt of gratitude to many in the local area for assistance, guidance and support in helping us achieve what we have so far,” Evans said.

 Evans and 5D Analytics’ COO Sharon Hemmerlein, are former Naval Surface Warfare-Crane employees.

 5D Analytics operates as a business and engineering support services company, which provides expertise in optimizing organizational policy, information, processes, workflow and life-cycle sustainment through experienced representatives and licensed U.S. Department of the Navy software tools. Initial software offerings focus on predictive analytics proven to optimize planning, scheduling processes and milestone management for the workforce and property ownership applications.

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