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TK Tech Venture Assessed Awardable for Department of War work in the CDAO's Tradewinds Solutions Marketplace

KILLEEN, TX – November 20, 2026 – TK Tech Venture LLC, a Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB) providing edge AI training technology, today announced that it has achieved Awardable status through the Chief Digital and Artificial Intelligence Office's (CDAO) Tradewinds Solutions Marketplace.

The Tradewinds Solutions Marketplace (TSM) is the premier offering of Tradewinds, the Department of War's (DoW's) suite of tools and services designed to accelerate the procurement and adoption of AI/ML, digital, and data analytics capabilities.

TK Tech Venture's ChiefOS is an AI training kit that runs with no network on rugged laptops, fully offline and on-prem, built for small units and signal teams that lose connectivity in contested environments. Instructors upload their own content and training objectives, and ChiefOS coaches Soldiers where they are, not just in garrison.

"I started this in May. Just me, a laptop, and a problem I'd watched Soldiers deal with for years," said Tim Carrender, Founder of TK Tech Venture. "About 35% of submissions get deemed Awardable, so I'm proud ChiefOS made the cut. I built it for the Army, but Awardable status puts it in front of government buyers across every branch. Training that runs with no network isn't just an Army problem."

TK Tech Venture's solution video, "ChiefOS: Edge AI That Runs With No Network for Army Signal Teams and Small Units," accessible only by Government Customers on the Tradewinds Solutions Marketplace, presents an actual use case in which the company shows ChiefOS coaching Soldiers on rugged laptops with no network. TK Tech Venture was recognized among a competitive field of applicants to the Tradewinds Solutions Marketplace whose solution videos demonstrated innovation, scalability, and potential impact on DoW missions. Government Customers interested in viewing the solution video can create a Tradewinds Solutions Marketplace account at tradewindAI.com.

About TK Tech Venture: TK Tech Venture LLC is a Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business based in Nolanville, Texas, and an NVIDIA Inception program member. Retired Army veteran Tim Carrender founded the company in May 2026 to build ChiefOS. Learn more at https://tktechventure.com.

About the Tradewinds Solutions Marketplace: The Tradewinds Solutions Marketplace is a digital repository of post-competition, readily Awardable solution videos that address the Department of War's (DoW's) most significant challenges in the Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning (AI/ML), digital, and data analytics space. All Awardable solution videos have been assessed through complex scoring rubrics and competitive procedures and are available to Government Customers with a TSM account. Government Customers can create an account at www.tradewindai.com. Tradewinds is housed in the DoW's Chief Digital Artificial Intelligence Office (CDAO).

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