**Government Contracting Definitions & Information**

**Best Value:** the expected outcome of an acquisition that, in the Government’s estimation, provides the greatest overall benefit in response to the requirement.

**Contracting Assistance Programs – not less than 51% owned (Small Business Set-Asides):** Woman-Owned Small Business (WOSB), Service-disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB), 8(a) Business Development Program, Historically Underutilized Business Zones (HUBZone), Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE – run through the State DOT)

**FAR:** Federal Acquisition Regulations is the principal set of rules in the Federal Acquisition Regulations System regarding government procurement in the United States.

**Federal Government Fiscal Year:** October 1 – September 30

**NAICS:** The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is the standard used by Federal statistical agencies in classifying business establishments for the purpose of collecting, analyzing, and publishing statistical data related to the U.S. business economy.

**Past Performance:** An offeror’s or contractor’s performance on active and physically completed contracts.

**Procurement/Acquisition:** “Acquisition” means the acquiring by contract with appropriated funds of supplies or services (including construction) by and for the use of the Federal Government through purchase or lease, whether the supplies or services are already in existence or must be created, developed, demonstrated, and evaluated.
Exercise #1

Presolicitation

Grounds Maintenance Service

Dept. of the Air Force
Grounds Maintenance Service

Solicitation Number: F3Q2AD729A001
Agency: Department of the Air Force
Office: Air Force Materiel Command

Competitive HUBZONE
NAICS: 561730
PSC: S208

XYZ Air Force Base is seeking Grounds Maintenance Service. This solicitation F3Q2AD729A001 will be 100% set aside for HUBZONE. The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code is 561730 and the small business size standard is $7.5M. This effort will be awarded using FAR Part 15, Source Selection Procedures with Past Performance Tradeoff. All firms or individuals responding must be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM). Additionally, prime contractors must be U.S. owned entities.

The Grounds Maintenance Service contract will be an Indefinite-Delivery Indefinite-Quantity (IDIQ) with a base year and four (4) option years and a 6-month service extension not to exceed $9,947,000.00. The contractor shall provide non-personal services, to include all personnel, equipment, tools, supervision, and other items and services necessary to ensure that grounds maintenance is performed at XYZ Air Force Base (AFB) in a manner that will promote the growth of healthy grass, trees, shrubs, and plants and present a clean, neat, and professional appearance.

All responsive offerors will be considered by the agency. The entire solicitation will be made available under Contract Opportunities at http://sam.gov on or about 3 January 2021. Paper copies will not be available. You may download the solicitation and email your quote in. It is incumbent upon the interested parties to review this site frequently for any updates/amendments to any and all documents. All questions concerning this synopsis and subsequent solicitation must be directed to MSgt Tracy Sowelski at (XXX) 926-9503 or tracie.sowelski@us.af.mil.

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Exercise #2

Sources Sought

Canine Tactical Equipment
U.S. Special Operations Command
Multi-Purpose Canine Tactical Equipment

Solicitation Number: H92230-19-T-RDPE
Agency: Other Defense Agencies
Office: U.S. Special Operations Command
Location: USASOC

Regimental Dog Program (RDP)
Multi-Purpose Canine (MPC) Tactical Equipment
Sources Sought
H92230-19-T-RDPE

THIS IS NOT A NOTICE OF SOLICITATION ISSUANCE, BUT RATHER a REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) (Reference number H92230-19-T-RDPE) that will allow the Government to identify interested sources capable of meeting this requirement. The information sought herein is for planning purposes only and shall not be construed as a request for quote (RFQ), request for proposal (RFP), invitation for bid (IFB), or as an obligation or commitment on the part of the Government to acquire any product or service. There shall be no basis for claims against the Government as a result of information submitted in response to the RFI. The Government does not intend to award a contract on the basis of this notice, or otherwise pay for any information submitted by respondents to this request. This notice is for market research purposes only and is not indicative of a full requirement. Should a requirement arise, the full requirement will be detailed in the solicitation.

The United States Army Special Operations Command (USASOC) is seeking to identify all responsible sources capable of providing CANINE TACTICAL EQUIPMENT in support of the 75TH Ranger Regiment’s Regimental Dog Program (RDP), Regimental Special Troops Battalion (RTSB) in accordance with the attached DRAFT Statement of Work. (SOW).

The Contractor shall provide the required items in support of the MPC's in accordance with mission specific requirements identified in the SOW. The vendor will be responsible for all travel and lodging for contracted personnel traveling to the Fort as stated in the SOW. The contractor shall perform in accordance with (IAW) the terms and conditions of the contract and consistently with the established requirements in the Draft SOW. The Contractor shall be able to provide the following:

1. **Tactical Vests** which shall facilitate the insertion and employment of MPCs in support of Ranger Operations

2. **MPC Camera System** which shall provide real-time video to the MPC handler during Ranger Operations

3. **MPC Sensor System** which shall provide increased capabilities to the RDT during Ranger Operations
4. **Custom sizing and fabrication** of vests to MPCs during the Regimental Advance Handler Course

5. **Awareness** of current tactics, techniques and procedures

The DRAFT SOW provides a complete list of objectives for the Contractor. All work in support of this requirement shall be accomplished at the Fort. Interested sources capable of fulfilling this requirement shall submit documentation addressing all elements listed herein: providing only a reference to a website is unacceptable for purposes of this announcement and will not be considered or reviewed. All proprietary or corporate data received shall be clearly identified and shall be protected from release to sources outside the Government. Please do not submit classified material. Contractors interested in providing this service should be registered in the System for Award management at (www.sam.gov) Sources should submit a thorough narrative that clearly demonstrates their corporate capabilities and ability to perform the tasks as listed in support of the Regimental Dog Program MPC Tactical Equipment requirement and a summary of relevant experience of providing this equipment. The narrative should also include current and/or recent past performance references that identify the contract number, customer, contract value, type of contract, period of performance and a brief description of the services. Interested parties are requested to submit a capabilities statement of no more than five (5) pages that demonstrates the respondent's ability to meet the requirements as specified herein.

**Contractors responding to this RFI are requested to provide:**
1) No more than five (5) pages that demonstrate the respondent’s ability to meet the requirements as specified herein
2) Company’s full name of the firm, address POC, phone/fax number and email address.
3) Cage code, DUNS number
4) Applicable North American Industry Classification Standards (NAICS) and business size (whether they are large, small, small-disadvantaged, 8(a), HUBZone, woman-owned, Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business, Historically Black College or University (HBCU) and or a minority service institute). Respondents should advise the Government of pending changes in the business size status.

**RESPONSES ARE DUE:** Responses shall be submitted electronically via email to Ms. Val Bradley, bradleyv@socom.mil and Ms. Jenn Paynter at Jennifer.paynter@socom.mil. Due to the intermittent nature of electronic communication, it is the vendor’s responsibility to ensure receipt of all e-mail correspondence. Respondents are cautioned that due to file size limitations and e-mail security protocols, there is a risk that not all correspondence will be received by this office.

All responses shall be submitted by 10:00 a.m. EST, 19 January 2021 and shall include reference number H92230-19-T-RDPE in the subject line and submission documents. Failure to respond to this RFI does not preclude participation in any future associated request for quotations that may be issued. Respondents will NOT be notified of the results.

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