DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE



21ST SPACE WING (AFSPC)

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MEMORANDUM FOR 21 CONS/LGCBB

FROM: 21 OG/CC

SUBJECT: Sole Source Requirement, KSV-21 Cryptographic Cards

- 1. This request is for the purchase of cryptographic cards authorized under FAR 13.106-1(b)(1). This sole source acquisition is requested by 21st Operations Group (OG) for use in secure terminal equipment (STE).
 - a. 21 OG is purchasing thirty (30) KSV-21 cyptographic cards.
- b. Mykotronx is the sole manufacturer of these particular cryptographic cards. These cryptographic cards are the only assets compatible with current STE.
- c. 21 OG contacted three vendors for this asset; Mykotronx, L-3Comm, and the National Security Agency (NSA). L3-Comm directed 21 OG directly to Mykotronx for government purchases. NSA stated the deadline had passed and the only way to procure these assets was to go to Mykotronx. Both L-3Comm and NSA stated that they distribute the cards manufactured by Mykotronx and that Mykotronx is the only manufacturer at this time.
- d. Notice published: Sole Source 21 CONS will publish an intent to award a sole source contract on Federal Business Opportunities (FBO) This intent will allow others the ability to provide information on their product or service showing they can meet the described requirement.
- e. There is already a contract in place through NSA to purchase the KSV-21 cards, but 21 OG did not meet the deadline of 15 August 2008. NSA stated that 21 OG must purchase these assets directly from Mykotronx. Use of the government purchase card for these assets is not authorized IAW AFI 64-117, Para. 2.4.11.
- f. There are no current barriers to full and open competition. This asset is only manufactured by one company, Mykotronx. All other companies and agencies selling this asset procure it directly from the manufacturer.
- 2. I certify that this sole source request is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

TYLER M. EVANS, Lt. Col, USAF

Approving Official

3. I determine that this sole source for the above request is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief, and is in the best interest of the government.

SHAMIKA N. BAILEY

Contracting Officer