Selection Statement for RFO 1-132-GLE.1447A Force Measurement Support Services (FMSS)

Procurement Description

This procurement will provide support to Langley in force transducer evaluation and hardware design; force transducer fabrication; strain gage application; force transducer calibration; force transducer installation and troubleshooting; instrumentation repair, calibration and maintenance; force transducer exigency requirements; force transducer and task processing and record documentation; metrology and computer programming and maintenance.

A cost plus incentive fee, completion contract has been determined to be the most appropriate type for this procurement. Specific work requirements are listed in paragraph 2, Supplies and/or Services to be Furnished, of the contract. These items will be ordered as needed in Work Requirements issued by the Contracting Officer (CO) or his/her authorized representative, and the Contractor's performance will be evaluated against specific performance standards/metrics. The contract will have a 1-year base period commencing February 1, 1998 with priced options for four additional 1-year periods. The procurement is a 100% Small Business set-aside, and was conducted using Mid-Range procedures defined in NASA FAR Supplement Part 1871.

Sources

The Request for Offer (RFO) was released on August 6, 1997, to 14 firms. Modern Machine and Tool Company (MM&T) was the only offeror that responded to the RFO. MM&T's proposal was dated September 22, 1997.

Evaluation Procedure

In accordance with instructions provided in the solicitation, the SET evaluated MM&T's proposal in two general steps:

Step One -- An initial evaluation was performed by the SET, and it was determined that all required information was provided and that MM&T made a reasonable attempt to present an acceptable offer.

Step Two – MM&T's proposal was evaluated against their response to five Best Value Characteristics (BVC's) listed in the RFO. MM&T was contacted only for clarification purposes during the initial evaluation. In addition to evaluating MM&T's technical response, the SET evaluated MM&T's total cost and fee to perform the required services.

Based on this evaluation, the Government had the option to award the contract without discussions in accordance with FAR Provision 52.215-16 -- Alternate II, Contract Award, of this procurement. Considering that only one source responded to the solicitation and the unique aspects associated with the incentive fee clauses in the contract, the Government elected to conduct negotiations with MM&T. The results of the SET's initial evaluation and any revisions as a result of negotiations are listed below.

Best Value Characteristic Evaluation

The response provided by MM&T relevant to each of the Best Value Characteristics clearly indicated that they have a team of personnel with the aggregate skills to perform the requirements described in the SOW; the ability to shift and cross-train those resources to maintain efficient contract performance and handle Langley's urgent requirements; the appropriate facilities and resources; an in-depth technical understanding of the requirements; the relevant experience and excellent past performance to adequately perform each area of the SOW; and an appropriate time keeping system to handle the assignment and tracking of labor hours for the incentive fee aspects under the contract.

Cost

Based on input from the NASA Pricing Office, the SET, and the DCAA, a fair and reasonable cost and fee was negotiated for the total contract including all options.

Selection Decision

After review of the SET's original evaluation findings and considering the successful negotiations, it is apparent that MM&T has the knowledge, skills, and resources to perform the requirements of this procurement. In addition, they have relevant experience, a proven track record, and have agreed to a fair and reasonable cost and fee to perform the required services. Based on the facts as noted above, MM&T is hereby selected for contract award.

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