

March 10, 2008

NOTICE TO ALL OFFERORS

REFERENCE:       AMENDMENT NO. 2  
                  DOL081RP20142

Additional information has been requested by prospective offerors and it has been determined by the Contracting Officer that this information is made available to all bidders. The closing date and time for the receipt of proposals remains March 14, 2008, by 2:00 p.m. local time.

KEITH A. BOND  
Contracting Officer

Attachment(s)

**AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT**

BPA NO.

1. CONTRACT ID CODE

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2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO.  
00023. EFFECTIVE DATE  
03/10/2008

4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO.

5. PROJECT NO.(If applicable)

6. ISSUED BY CODE

U.S. Department of Labor, ETA/OGCM  
Division of Contract Services  
200 Constitution Avenue, NW  
Room C-4310  
Washington DC 20210

7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than Item 6) CODE

U.S. Department of Labor, ETA  
TBD  
200 Constitution Avenue, NW  
Room  
Washington DC 20210

8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, county, State and ZIP Code)

To all Offerors/Bidders

(X) 9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO.

DOL081RP20142

9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11)

X 01-29-2008

10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.

10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)

CODE

FACILITY CODE

**11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS** The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers  is extended,  is not extended.

Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods:

(a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning 0 copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.

12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)

N/A

**13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.**

(X) A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.

B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).

C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:

D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)

**E. IMPORTANT:** Contractor  is not,  is required to sign this document and return 0 (Zero) copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)

(See Attachment)

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)

16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)

KEITH A. BOND  
Contracting Officer

15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR

15 C. DATES SIGNED

16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

16 C. DATES SIGNED

(Signature of person authorized to sign)

BY \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of Contracting Officer)

14. **RESPONSES TO TECHNICAL QUESTIONS**

1. Question 48 was not answered in Amendment 0001:

“48. Sections I.8 and I.9 are references to the Service Contract Act. Because the government has prescribed minimum rates equivalent to General Service (GS) grades, are the Service Contract Act clauses relevant?”

Will DOL provide a response to this question?

Answer: Offerors shall use the higher of the hourly wage rates between the applicable SCA rate and the base General Service rate (GS).

2. Should offerors utilize the direct salaries of each labor category based upon OPM’s Base Level GS grade rates, or should they be based upon the Locality Pay Tables which are quite different between Chicago and Atlanta? If locality pay tables are to be used, should the offeror provide separate pricing sheets for Chicago and Atlanta?

Answer: Offerors should utilize the Federal locality pay tables for Atlanta and Chicago.

3. The response to question 17 in Amendment 0001 stated “The pay grades are a requirement for establishing the minimum pay for each labor category...”

How will DOL assure that offerors’ bids conform to the required established 2008 OPM GS-rate levels? We want to ensure that ALL responders utilize these OPM General Service pay tables as the basis for establishing their Direct Labor rates to ensure fair competition based upon the directions provided within this RFP.

Answer: The government will review the offerors proposals for compliance with the solicitation requirements. Offerors that are non-compliant with the solicitation requirements may be determined technically unacceptable and eliminated from the competition.

4. Question 49 was not answered completely in Amendment 0001:

“49. Section J. – Attachment J.10, Example of a Modified Resume, has not been posted to the DOL/ETA website. Also, the descriptions of the information required in the modified resumes are not consistent in RFP sections L.8.A.Part 2 - (2), M.3.B.4, and M.3.B.5(iv).”

DOL provided the missing Attachment J.10, but did not clarify the differences among the requirements at RFP Sections L.8.A.Part 2 - (2), M.3.B.4, and M.3.B.5(iv). Will DOL clarify what elements should be contained within the resume?

Answer: The offeror shall include all the information required under Section M. Item M.3.B.4 includes the requirement to provide a modified resume (Attachment J.10) and M.3.B.4, a-c, and 5 specifies additional information to be provided on the modified resume.

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5. DOL's response to question 38 stated: "Offerors need only price the base year." Attachment J.2, Loaded Hourly Labor Rate Chart, requests information be provided for the Base Year and Option Years. Section M.3 provides details regarding the evaluation of the cost/price, but does not specify whether the cost/price will be evaluated on only the Base Year price or the Total Price of the contractor's bid which includes the Option Years.

How will the Government evaluate a contractor's cost/price without having information regarding each of the Option Years? Please clarify.

If the Option Years are not to be bid, how will DOL obtain information about the price for each Option Year of the contract and will this occur after contract award?

Answer: FAR 52.217-3 Evaluation Exclusive of Options (April 1984). The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by including only the price for the basic requirement; i.e. options will not be included in the evaluation for award purposes. This clause is included in Section M.1 of the solicitation. The government will negotiate the option year price/cost at the time the option year is exercised based on reasonable price/cost changes, primarily salaries/wages.

6. The pdf format Attachment forms provided are not editable. Will DOL provide the forms in an editable pdf or MS Word format?

Answer: The Section J Attachments are only available in the non-editable PDF format.