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NOTICE TO ALL OFFERORS:

REFERENCE: RFP-DCS-01-14  
Amendment No. 2

Additional information has been requested by prospective offerors and it has been determined by the Contracting Officer that this information be made available to all bidders. The information is provided in the attached SF-30. The closing date for the above-referenced Request for Proposal is 2:00 PM, March 28, 2001 local time.

*Keith A. Bond*

KEITH A. BOND  
Contracting Officer

Attachments

2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. <b>1</b>	3. EFFECTIVE DATE <b>3-13-2001</b>	4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO. <b>00-1476/VRM</b>	5. PROJECT NO. (If applicable)
6. ISSUED BY <b>U.S. Department of Labor, ETA/OGCM Division of Contract Services 200 Constitution Avenue, NW Room S-4203 Washington DC 20210</b>		7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than Item 6) <b>U.S. Department of Labor, ETA 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Room S-4203 Washington DC 20210</b>	

8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, county, State and ZIP Code)  <b>To all Offerors/Bidders</b>	(X)	9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. <b>RFP-DCS-01-14</b>
	X	9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) <b>02-21-2001</b>
		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 of 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)

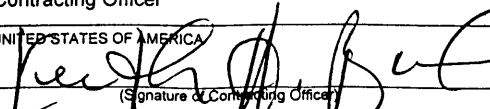
13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.

(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 \_\_\_\_\_ copies to the issuing office.

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

THE DUE DATE FOR THIS SOLICITATION REMAINS 2:00 PM, 3-28-2001.

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) <b>Keith A. Bond Contracting Officer</b>
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED
18B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY  (Signature of Contracting Officer)	18C. DATE SIGNED <b>3/15/01</b>

14. RESPONSES TO TECHNICAL QUESTIONS

1. What types of data (elements) are collected by national operations from apprenticeship programs? Particularly interested in Resource usage, Outcome levels and Quality related measures.

1a. Sponsor name and address, apprenticeship name and address, occupation, industry, gender, race, age, SSN, cancellation rate, program completion rate, Davis-Bacon and OEO compliance, and related instruction.

2. What data elements are collected by regional offices from apprenticeship programs?

2a. Same as in #1 above: Sponsor name and address, apprenticeship name and address, occupation, industry, gender, race, age, SSN, cancellation rate, program completion rate, Davis-Bacon and OEO compliance, and related instruction

3. In what segments of the Apprenticeship programs are Quality Initiatives (e.g., the initiative by FCRA) already in place or in active stage of deployment and at what stage of progress are these initiatives?

3a. OATELS, as part of the Employment and Training Administration, has been involved in the OMB-imposed Government Performance Review Act (GPRA) five-year plans since 1999. QATELS staff, as the rest of ETA, was exposed to the introductory training on the Baldrige Principles at a conference in August 2000; however, most of the staff has not had the recommended follow-up instruction.

4. What organizations other than BAT/OATELS and FCRA (i.e., including regional offices) are presently involved in Quality within Apprenticeship programs?

4a. Overall, the Employment and Training Administration, of which BAT/OATELS, is currently adopting quality initiative program based on the Baldrige principles.

5. Task #3, is research intended to be restricted to programs in the US?

5a. Yes, the research is be limited to apprenticeship program in the U.S.