AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

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2. Amendment/Modification No.	3. Effective Date	4. Requisition/Purchase Req No.	5. Project No. (If applicable)
0003	2026FEB12	SEE SCHEDULE	

6. Issued By Code W912CH

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7. Administered By (If other than Item 6) Code

8. Name And Address Of Contractor (No., Street, City, County, State and Zip Code)

Code | Facility Code

[X] **9A. Amendment Of Solicitation No.**
W912CH-25-B-0007

9B. Dated (See Item 11)
2025DEC11

[ ] **10A. Modification Of Contract/Order No.**

10B. Dated (See Item 13)

11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

[X] **The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers**

[X] **is extended,** [ ] **is not extended.** 2026APR16 01:00pm

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 2 signed **copies of the amendments: (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)

13. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS
It Modifies The Contract/Order No. As Described In Item 14.

[ ] **A. This Change Order is Issued Pursuant To: 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 data, 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.)

SEE SECOND PAGE FOR DESCRIPTION

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)	
15B. Contractor/Offeror _____ (Signature of person authorized to sign)	15C. Date Signed	16B. United States Of America By /SIGNED/ (Signature of Contracting Officer)	16C. Date Signed

SECTION A - SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Buyer Name: LYNDSEY M. PENA
Buyer Office Symbol/Telephone Number: CCTA-APS-B/(520)687-3936
Type of Contract 1: Firm Fixed Price
Kind of Contract: Supply Contracts and Priced Orders
Weapon System: Tank, M1 Abrams Family of Vehicles

*** End of Narrative A0000 ***

INVITATION FOR BIDS: W912CH-25-B-0007

AMENDMENT: 0003

(a) The purpose of Amendment 0003 to Invitation for Bids (IFB) W912CH-25-B-0007 is as follows:

(1) To extend the due date/time for receipt of bids as indicated below:

FROM:
Tuesday, 17-Feb-2026 at 1:00 p.m. local time (Warren, MI)

TO:
Thursday, 16-Apr-2026 at 1:00 p.m. local time (Warren, MI)

(2) To revise Section A.1. Description of Action, paragraph (g) as indicated below:

FROM:
"Bid opening will be held with all Bidders and shall commence on Monday, 23-Feb-2026 at 1:00 p.m. local time (Warren, MI)."

TO:
"Bid opening will be held with all Bidders and shall commence on Wednesday, 22-Apr-2026 at 1:00 p.m. local time (Warren, MI)."

(3) To revise Section L.4. Bid Opening, paragraph (a) as indicated below:

FROM:
"Bid opening will be held with all Bidders and shall commence on Monday, 23-Feb-2026 at 1:00 p.m. local time (Warren, MI)."

TO:
"Bid opening will be held with all Bidders and shall commence on Wednesday, 22-Apr-2026 at 1:00 p.m. local time (Warren, MI)."

(b) All other terms and conditions of IFB W912CH-25-B-0007 remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

*** END OF NARRATIVE A0004 ***

A.1. DESCRIPTION OF ACTION

(a) This Invitation for Bids (IFB) is intended to result in the award of a firm-fixed-price (FFP) contract with 100% option for the Electrical Control Box, National Stock Number (NSN): 2540-01-609-3483, part number: 57K6555.

(b) This IFB is a total small business set-aside in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 19.502-2.

(c) There is a Technical Data Package (TDP) associated with this procurement. The TDP is distribution code "D", which limits access to Department of Defense (DoD) and U.S. DoD contractors only. Please see Section C.1 for instructions on how to access this technical data. BIDDERS MUST BE GRANTED TDP ACCESS PRIOR TO SUBMITTING A BID OR THE BID SUBMISSION WILL BE REJECTED.

(d) Bidders are advised to carefully read and understand this entire IFB, including Sections L and M, prior to submitting a bid for evaluation. The Government will evaluate bids without discussions and does not assume the duty to search for data to cure problems it finds in any bid. Therefore, all information necessary for the review and evaluation of a bid is to be contained within the bid submission.

(e) Bidders must complete all necessary fill-ins and representations throughout this IFB, including but not limited to:

(1) STANDARD FORM 33 (IFB COVER PAGE): Blocks 13 through 18;

(2) SECTION B: The unit prices and dollar amounts requested for CLIN 0001AA: Production Quantity, CLIN 0001AB: First Article Test Report, and CLIN 0002AA: Unexercised Option Quantity;

(3) SECTION E: E.8. Inspection and Acceptance Points - Origin;

(4) SECTION F: FAR 52.211-8 - Time of Delivery;

(5) SECTION J: Attachment 0006 - Bidder Identification and Assertions Pursuant to DFARS 252.227-7017;

(6) SECTION K: FAR 52.204-8 - Annual Representations and Certifications (Deviations 2025-O00003 and 2025-O00004);

(7) SECTION K: FAR 52.209-13 - Violation of Arms Control Treaties or Agreements - Certification;

(8) SECTION K: FAR 52.219-2 - Equal Low Bids;

(9) SECTION K: FAR 52.225-18 - Place of Manufacture; and

(10) SECTION K: FAR 52.229-11 - Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements - Notice and Representation

Failure to complete all required fill-ins and representations may result in the rejection of a bid.

(f) Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of all IFB amendments by the date and time indicated for receipt of bids. If this IFB is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged. Please see Section A.5 and FAR 52.214-3: Amendments to IFBs (Section L) for additional information.

(g) Bid opening will be held with all Bidders and shall commence on Wednesday, 22-Apr-2026 at 1:00 p.m. local time (Warren, MI). Due to security protocols at the Detroit Arsenal, bid opening will be held virtually. Bidder attendance at this event is not required. The Government will provide a Microsoft Teams link, teleconference number, and passcode prior to bid opening. Please contact the following personnel via e-mail, after IFB close and at least 24 hours prior to bid opening, to receive this information:

LYNDSEY PENA
CONTRACT SPECIALIST, ARMY CONTRACTING COMMAND - DETROIT ARSENAL
E-MAIL: LYNDSEY.M.PENA.CIV@ARMY.MIL

-and-

STANLEY BIERNACKI
CONTRACT SPECIALIST, ARMY CONTRACTING COMMAND - DETROIT ARSENAL
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A.2. BID STRUCTURE

(a) The Government will utilize North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code 335999 - All Other Miscellaneous Electrical Equipment and Component Manufacturing for this procurement.

(b) Failure to register via the System for Award Management (SAM) website for the NAICS code identified above, prior to submitting a bid in response to this IFB, may preclude your firm from receiving an award. Bidders should be aware of how U.S. Small Business concerns are defined in FAR Part 19, Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 219, and 13 CFR 121 Small Business Size Regulations. Bidders are advised to review 13 CFR 121.103, "How does SBA determine affiliation?", if applicable to this IFB.

(c) All bids received in response to this IFB shall be valid for a minimum of 90 calendar days. Please see FAR 52.214-16: Minimum Bid Acceptance Period (Section K) for additional information.

A.3. ELECTRONIC CONTRACTING

(a) All Army Contracting Command - Detroit Arsenal IFBs will be publicized on the System for Award Management (SAM) website:

https://www.SAM.gov

Any additional attachments, including the TDP(s) when available electronically, will be separate attachments or links embedded in the IFB.

(b) Interested Bidders shall submit a completed IFB, including the Standard Form 33, via e-mail with the subject line "IFB Submission - W912CH-25-B-0007 (Contractor Name)" to the following personnel:

LYNDSEY PENA
CONTRACT SPECIALIST, ARMY CONTRACTING COMMAND - DETROIT ARSENAL
E-MAIL: LYNDSEY.M.PENA.CIV@ARMY.MIL

-and-

STANLEY BIERNACKI
CONTRACT SPECIALIST, ARMY CONTRACTING COMMAND - DETROIT ARSENAL
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Once a bid is received, the Contract Specialist will reply to the respective Bidder indicating receipt of the submission. NOTE: FAX, HARDCOPY (PAPER), AND DVD/CD-ROM BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. HAND-CARRIED BIDS, WHETHER HARDCOPY OR ELECTRONIC, WILL ALSO NOT BE ACCEPTED.

(c) Please pay close attention to the Issued By block on the cover page of this IFB for a closing date and time. The closing date and time is based on the local time of the listed location of the Issued By office. In accordance with FAR 52.214-7: Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals of Bids (Section L), Bidders are responsible for submitting bids, and any revisions/modifications, so as to be received by the Government office designated in the IFB by the date and time specified.

(d) It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure the bid is received by the date and time specified on the cover page of this IFB. In accordance with FAR 52.214-7: Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals of Bids, if the bid was not received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure (in this case, received via e-mail) by the exact date and time specified on the cover page of this IFB, it will be determined late. Bid is defined to mean ALL volumes or parts required by the IFB are included in the electronic submission.

NOTE: There is no "expected" or "target" length of time for bid submission; size and content may be factors, therefore Bidders are strongly cautioned when submitting bids to allow adequate time for submission.

(e) IFBs may remain posted on SAM.gov after the IFB closing date. If the response deadline has passed for the IFB, vendors will no longer be able to submit electronic responses.

(f) Any award issued as a result of this IFB will be distributed electronically. In the event of a FOIA request for a copy of any award issued as a result of this IFB, or any subsequent modifications to the contract, the contract and modifications will be released, including the awarded unit price. This is the notice required by Executive Order 12600 (June 23, 1987) of the Government's intention to release unit prices in response to any request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 USC 552. Unit price is defined as the contract price per unit or item purchased as it appears in Section B of the contract and is NOT referring to nor does it include cost or pricing data/information. If a Bidder objects to such release in the base contract or contract modifications, the Bidder must notify the Contracting Officer in writing prior to the closing date identified in this IFB and include the rationale for the objection consistent with the provisions of FOIA. A release determination will be made based on the rationale given.

(g) All questions pertaining to this IFB shall be submitted via e-mail to the following personnel by Monday, 29-Dec-2025 at 1:00 p.m. local time (Warren, MI):

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CONTRACT SPECIALIST, ARMY CONTRACTING COMMAND - DETROIT ARSENAL
E-MAIL: LYNDSEY.M.PENA.CIV@ARMY.MIL

-and-

STANLEY BIERNACKI
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Responses will be furnished via a Q&A log posting to SAM.gov or as an IFB amendment, if the information is necessary in submitting bids or if the lack thereof would be prejudicial to other prospective Bidders. Please see FAR 52.214-6: Explanation to Prospective Bidders (Section L) for additional information. The Government will review all questions received but is not obligated to answer questions submitted after the date/time noted above, prior to IFB close.

(h) For technical assistance in doing business with the Government, and doing business electronically, please visit the Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) website to locate a regional center at:

http://www.aptac-us.org

A.4. ALL OR NONE

(a) Bids in response to this IFB must be submitted for the total quantity of items identified in the IFB:

(1) Only one award will be made as a result of this IFB.

(2) Bids submitted for LESS THAN the total quantities of all the items in this IFB will be deemed nonresponsive.

A.5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AMENDMENTS

(a) Acknowledge all Government-issued IFB amendments by identifying the amendment number and its issue date:

[BIDDER TO COMPLETE FILL-INS BELOW.]

Amendment Number:	Date:
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

A.6. ARMY CONTRACTING COMMAND - DETROIT ARSENAL OMBUDSPERSON

(a) Information regarding the Ombudsperson for this contract is located at the following website:

https://tacom.army.mil/ombudsperson

NOTE: Website is best viewed using Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge.

A.7. DISTRIBUTION AND DESTRUCTION OF EXPORT CONTROL TECHNICAL DATA PACKAGE

(a) This IFB and resulting contract contains technical data whose export is restricted by the Arms Export Control Act (Section 2751 of Title 22, United States Code) or the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 (Chapter 58 Sections 48014852 of Title 50, United States Code). Violations of these export laws are subject to severe criminal penalties. Disseminate in accordance with provision of DoD Directive 5230.25 and DoD Instruction 2040.02. THIS ALSO APPLIES TO DISTRIBUTION OF THE TDP TO ALL SUBCONTRACTORS AT EVERY LEVEL.

(b) To be eligible to gain access to this export controlled TDP (via SAM.gov) a Bidder must have a current DD 2345, "Militarily Critical Technical Data Agreement" certification on file with the Defense Logistics Information Service (DLIS). To obtain certification, Bidders must submit a DD Form 2345 to the United States (U.S.)/Canada Joint Certification Office (JCO), along with a copy of supporting documentation. DD Form 2345 and instructions can be found on the Joint Certification Program website at:

http://www.dla.mil/HQ/InformationOperations/Offers/Products/LogisticsApplications/JCP.aspx

Processing time is estimated at six (6) to ten (10) weeks after receipt. Upon receipt of certification, a Bidder may request the TDP in accordance with Section C.1. Technical Data Package Information.

(c) Upon completion of the purposes for which Government technical data has been provided, the Bidder, and all subcontractors, vendors, and sub-vendors of the Bidder, are required to destroy all documents, including all reproductions, duplications, or copies thereof as may have been further distributed.

(d) Destruction of this technical data shall be accomplished by: shredding, pulping, burning, or melting any physical copies of the TDP and/or deletion or removal of downloaded TDP files from computer drives and electronic devices, and any copies of those files.

*** END OF NARRATIVE A0001 ***

SECTION L - INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS, AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS

L.1. GENERAL BID INFORMATION

(a) Overview. Bidders are responsible for submitting a well-written bid, with adequately detailed information, that clearly demonstrates an understanding of and the ability to comply with the IFB requirements to allow for a meaningful evaluation. The Bidder's submission, as required by this section, will be evaluated as set forth in Section M. Bidders are expected to examine the drawings, specifications, Schedule, and all associated instructions in preparing their bid, pursuant to FAR 52.214-12: Preparation of Bids, which is incorporated via Section L. All information necessary for the review and evaluation of a bid is to be contained within the bid. The Government will not assume the Bidder possesses any capability, understanding, or commitment not specified by its bid, nor does the Government assume the duty to search for data to cure problems it finds in a bid.

(b) Technical Data. There is a Technical Data Package (TDP) associated with this procurement. The TDP is distribution code "D", which limits access to Department of Defense (DoD) and U.S. DoD contractors. Please see Section C.1 for instructions on how to access this technical data. BIDDERS MUST BE GRANTED TDP ACCESS PRIOR TO SUBMITTING A BID OR THE BID SUBMISSION WILL BE REJECTED.

(c) Minimum Acceptance Period.

(1) "Acceptance period" means the number of calendar days available to the Government for awarding a contract from the date specified in this IFB for receipt of bids. The minimum acceptance period identified in FAR 52.214-16: Minimum Bid Acceptance Period, incorporated via Section K, supersedes any language pertaining to the acceptance period that may appear elsewhere in this IFB.

(2) The Government requires a minimum acceptance period of 90 calendar days. Bidders may specify a longer acceptance period via the FAR 52.214-16 fill-in. However, a bid allowing less than the Government's minimum acceptance period will be rejected.

L.2. BID CONTENT AND FORMAT

(a) Language and Currency. All bids shall be submitted in English (American Standard) pursuant to FAR 52.214-34: Submission of Offers in the English Language, which is incorporated via Section L, and in U.S. dollars pursuant to FAR 52.214-35: Submission of Offers in U.S. Currency, which is also incorporated via Section L. Bids not in English (American Standard) or in U.S. dollars will be rejected.

(b) Completeness and Fill-ins. Bids shall include all information specified and shall address all requirements identified in Section L. Further, Bidders must complete all necessary fill-ins and representations throughout this IFB, including but not limited to:

(1) STANDARD FORM 33 (IFB COVER PAGE): Blocks 13 through 18;

(2) SECTION B: The unit prices and dollar amounts requested for CLIN 0001AA: Production Quantity, CLIN 0001AB: First Article Test Report, and CLIN 0002AA: Unexercised Option Quantity;

(3) SECTION E: E.8. Inspection and Acceptance Points - Origin;

(4) SECTION F: FAR 52.211-8 - Time of Delivery;

(5) SECTION J: Attachment 0006 - Bidder Identification and Assertions Pursuant to DFARS 252.227-7017;

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(8) SECTION K: FAR 52.219-2 - Equal Low Bids;

(9) SECTION K: FAR 52.225-18 - Place of Manufacture; and

(10) SECTION K: FAR 52.229-11 - Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements - Notice and Representation

Failure to complete all required fill-ins and representations may result in the rejection of a bid.

(c) Executive Summary/Transmittal Letter. Bidders may optionally include an executive summary or transmittal letter with their bid. However, it will neither be considered as part of the bid nor will it be evaluated. If an executive summary or transmittal letter is included, it shall be no more than one (1) page in length.

L.3. BID SUBMISSION METHOD, FORMAT, AND INSTRUCTIONS

(a) Submission Method and File Size. All bids shall be submitted electronically in accordance with Section A.3. Electronic Contracting. Maximum size of each e-mail is 10 megabytes. Bidders may use multiple e-mail messages for each submission. However, they must annotate

the subject line of each message as described in Section A.3, and number them in the following manner: "Message 1 of 3, 2 of 3, 3 of 3". NOTE: FAX, HARDCOPY (PAPER), AND DVD/CD-ROM BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. HAND-CARRIED BIDS, WHETHER HARDCOPY OR ELECTRONIC, WILL ALSO NOT BE ACCEPTED.

(b) Acceptable File Formats. All electronic information provided in response to this IFB shall be in Microsoft Office (Word or Excel) or Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF). All other electronic formats are not acceptable. For files in PDF format, scanners shall be set to at least 200 dots per inch.

(c) File Naming Convention. Each submitted file shall be labeled so it is easily identifiable for which information it pertains. File names shall not exceed 50 characters in length (not including the file extension). Ensure the file name does not contain any periods or special characters, including: / * ? : " < > |.

(d) Document Formatting. Unless otherwise specified, it is recommended that bid documents be formatted with an 8.5-inch x 11-inch layout, a minimum 10-point font size, and minimum 0.5-inch margins. Schedules, drawings, and other documents more appropriate for a larger size should be formatted no larger than with an 8.5-inch x 14-inch layout.

(e) Spreadsheet Formatting. If providing spreadsheets, include all formulas, functions, macros, computations, or equations used to compute the proposed amounts. For each workbook, all rows, columns, cells, and worksheets are to be visible. Do not include zero height, zero width rows and/or columns in worksheets. Do not format worksheet cells with a font color equal to the fill color. If workbooks or worksheets are password protected, then the passwords must be provided. Do not submit print image files or pictures or files containing only values.

(f) Links to Internet Sites/Webpages. Bids shall not contain citations for, or active links to, live internet sites or webpages. All linked information shall be contained within the electronic bid. Any linked information that is not contained within the bid will be rejected.

(g) Readable and Virus-free Submission. Bidders shall make every effort to ensure their bid is readable and virus-free. Bids (or any portion(s) thereof) submitted which indicate the presence of a virus, or are otherwise unreadable, will be handled in accordance with FAR 14.406: Receipt of an Unreadable Electronic Bid. The following is intended to supplement this FAR reference:

(1) The Contracting Officer will issue the required notice, via e-mail, following the bid opening event;

(2) After the Contracting Officer issues this notice, the Bidder has three business days to respond with all necessary evidence; and

(3) If the Bidder's response is timely received, the Contracting Officer will review all evidence and issue a final decision indicating whether the bid is accepted or rejected. If the Bidder's response is late, the Contracting Officer will not review the evidence and the bid submission will be rejected.

(h) Submission Due Date. Bidders must ensure their bid, in its entirety, and any modifications or withdrawals, reach the required destination by the exact date and time for receipt of bids specified on the Standard Form 33 > Block 9 (IFB cover page). Any bid, modification, or withdrawal received after the exact date and time specified for receipt of bids is late and may not be considered. Please see FAR 52.214-7: Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals of Bids, incorporated via Section L, for additional information.

(i) Bidders are limited to submitting one bid with one approach to meeting the requirements of this IFB. Further, Bids must be submitted for the total quantity of items identified in this IFB, pursuant to Section A.4. All or None. Bids submitted for less than all requirements called for by this IFB will be deemed nonresponsive and may be rejected. Further, bids that contain alternative terms and conditions may be considered as taking exception to the requirements of this IFB and may be rejected.

L.4. BID OPENING

(a) Bid opening will be held with all Bidders and shall commence on Wednesday, 22-Apr-2026 at 1:00 p.m. local time (Warren, MI). Due to security protocols at the Detroit Arsenal, bid opening will be held virtually. Bidder attendance at this event is not required. The Government will provide a Microsoft Teams link, teleconference number, and passcode prior to bid opening. Please contact the following personnel via e-mail, after IFB close and at least 24 hours prior to bid opening, to receive this information:

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L.5. SOURCE NOTES ON DRAWINGS: CONFORMANCE TO MILITARY TECHNICAL DATA REQUIREMENTS

(a) Notwithstanding the fact that ordnance drawings furnished with this IFB may list particular manufacturer part numbers as approved sources, or as being the same as, or equivalent to, the ordnance part described on the drawing, the item to be supplied under this IFB must conform to all specific technical requirements expressed on such drawing(s). To the extent that there may be any inconsistency between a manufacturer's part number and specific technical requirements expressed on an ordnance drawing which references the manufacturer's part number, the specific technical requirements shall control and take precedence. Bidders shall bear the responsibility of verifying that the approved part as supplied will conform to all such specific technical requirements.

L.6. PART NUMBERS NOT CURRENTLY APPROVED

(a) As specified elsewhere in this IFB, part or all of the contract item to be procured hereunder is restricted to certain approved manufacturer's part numbers as set forth in the Schedule and/or the Technical Data Package. Any firm that produces an item which it believes to be equivalent to one of these approved part numbers is hereby encouraged to have such item tested and approved, so that the item will be eligible to be bought on future acquisitions. Please write to the attention of the buyer at the address indicated on the cover page of this IFB and request a statement of the procedures by which items can be tested and approved for procurement. Such an enquiry should cite the applicable National Stock Number (NSN), the already approved part number, the part number of the item which the enquirer believes to be identical to our approved item, and a brief statement of the basis on which the new item is believed to be equivalent to our already approved item.

L.7. NOTICE REGARDING REQUIRED SOURCE-CONTROLLED COMPONENT OR MANUFACTURER'S PART NUMBER

(a) Please see Section C.6. Acquisition of Manufacturer's Part Number: Components in this IFB. This acquisition is restricted to source-controlled component(s) or manufacturer's part number(s) identified in the Schedule (Section B), or in the Technical Data Package. Bids that propose to furnish any alternative to the required source-controlled component(s) or manufacturer's part number(s) will not be considered for contract award. It is understood that, by submitting a Bid under this IFB, the Bidder agrees to supply one of the required part numbers unless the proposed part meets the conditions set forth in paragraph (b) below.

(b) Require Approval for Alternatives to the Source-Controlled Component or required Manufacturer's Part Number.

(1) If a firm manufactures an item which it believes to be totally equivalent to the required item(s), it may submit a Bid based on the equivalent item if the following conditions are met:

(i) Prior to receipt of this IFB, the firm must have received written U.S. Army TACOM approval of a test procedure on its non-listed item;

(ii) The firm must indicate in its Bid the date of the written U.S. Army TACOM approval, and the name and title of the approving official;

(iii) The firm indicates in its bid that it is in the process of having its item independently tested per the approved test procedure to demonstrate full physical, functional, and mechanical interchangeability of its part with an already approved part cited in this IFB, or that it is awaiting final U.S. Army TACOM engineering approval of the summary report furnished at the conclusion of independent testing; and

(iv) The firm must have secured final written approval of its part from U.S. Army TACOM engineering by the time of bid opening, (in the case of formally advertised acquisitions), or by the time of contract award, (in the case of negotiated acquisitions).

(2) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Government expressly reserves to the Contracting Officer the right to waive the conditions set forth above in making an award when written approval from U.S. Army TACOM engineering of a non-listed part number can be obtained without delay in the anticipated date of award.

(3) When either of the foregoing conditions are met, the Government reserves the right to make an award for a non-listed item. In no other instance will award be made to any firm that does not agree to furnish one of the required part numbers listed in this IFB.

(c) Any firm that manufactures or regularly sells an item which it views as equivalent in all respects to one of the required component(s) or manufacturer's part number(s), but that has not initiated approved qualification testing in order to demonstrate that its part is totally equivalent to the required part, should contact the Contract Specialist listed on the first page of the IFB to inquire about getting qualification testing initiated.

L.8. PACKING/PACKAGING LEVEL FOR OPTION QUANTITIES

(a) For purposes of computing a price for the option quantity specified in Section B of this IFB and unless otherwise indicated in Section B, it is understood and agreed that the option unit price includes the same level(s) of packing/packaging as those that apply to

the basic contract quantity.

L.9. BIDS DELIVERED BY THIRD-PARTY EXPRESS SERVICES (NON-US POSTAL SERVICE MAIL)rrl (a) Bids delivered by third-party express services will not be accepted.

L.10. HQ-AMC LEVEL PROTEST PROCEDURES

(a) Complete AMC Protest Procedures can be found at:

http://www.amc.army.mil/Connect/Legal-Resources

An agency protest may be filed with either the contracting officer or to HQAMC but not both following the procedures listed on the website above.

L.11. UNCLASSIFIED BID, MODIFICATION, OR REVISION/AMENDMENT SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

(a) Bids, modifications, and/or revisions/amendments shall be submitted in accordance with A.3. Electronic Contracting. It is not anticipated that any requested bid, modification, or revision/amendment/amendment information will be classified.

(b) Submission due date. The Bidder must ensure its bid, modification, or revision/amendment in its entirety, reaches the required destination by the IFB closing date and time established in this IFB. All bids, modifications, or revision/amendments received after the specified submission time shall be treated as late and will be handled in accordance with FAR 52.214-7: Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Bids.

(c) Please note that when submitting your bid via e-mail, it may take time for the e-mail and any attachments/files to be scanned for viruses and transmitted to the Government. File size, network connection, connection type, and number of files are factors in the time needed to complete timely submission. Therefore, Bidders are strongly cautioned when submitting bids to allow ample time for completion. Bidders should also take into account potential time needed to troubleshoot technical issues prior to the IFB closing date and time.

L.12. ARMY CONTRACT WRITING SYSTEM TRANSITION INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS

(a) The Army Contracting Enterprise (ACE) is in the process of deploying new IFB and contract writing software to Army contracting offices worldwide. Known as the Army Contract Writing System (ACWS), this modern software suite will soon replace most existing Army contract writing systems, including the system used to create and release this IFB.

(b) During this transition period, Bidders are hereby advised:

(1) The Contracting Office may use any combination of contract writing systems to create and release documents related to this IFB (e.g., IFB amendments and awards (if any)). Due to this:

i. This IFB may contain different bid submission instructions than other IFBs released by the same Contracting Office (e.g., requiring bid submission via the PIEE Solicitation Module vs. e-mail). Bidders should review all bid submission instructions contained in the IFB documents and direct any questions or concerns to the Contract Specialist or Contracting Officer.

ii. If the Contracting Office switches contract writing systems prior to award, documents you receive from the Contracting Officer or view on SAM.gov or other forums may appear noticeably different than the initial IFB or previous IFBs or awards from the same Contracting Office. This is normal and expected.

iii. A change between contract writing systems may cause important information concerning IFB response (amendments) or accepted terms (awards) to take on different formatting or appear in different parts of later documents issued. Bidders shall review all documents carefully to locate this important information and direct any questions or concerns to the Contract Specialist or Contracting Officer.

(2) The Government does not intend to use the transition between contract writing systems to effect any changes to IFB or award terms and conditions without accompanying document narratives explicitly stating such changes are deliberate and desired. While the Contract Specialist and Contracting Officer will take care to minimize or eliminate any inadvertent changes when adapting to the new contract writing software, you, as the Bidder, may still be the first to spot such errors. Therefore, Bidders shall:

i. Notify the Contracting Officer immediately if any observed changes, removals, or additions affect your award eligibility, violate or alter existing quote/bid terms, or could affect contract performance post-award.

ii. Take special care to ensure all fill-in clauses are populated and remain populated across documents received from the Contracting Office throughout the IFB and award process.

iii. Contact the Contracting Officer listed on the first page of the IFB or IFB amendment for guidance if you notice or

suspect any inadvertent change has occurred between document issuances.

(3) The Contracting Officer will correct problems affecting award documents (if any) via bilateral modification, at no cost to the Contractor. Any such modification will reconcile the award with the latest version of this IFB reflecting deliberate action by the Contracting Officer (e.g., the first issuance if no amendments, or the latest amendment with accompanying narratives), inclusive of any documented pre-award negotiations or accepted supplemental bid terms.

(4) In the unlikely event a network disruption, contract writing system error, or financial system error threatens timely award of the requirement set forth in this IFB, the Contracting Officer:

i. May elect to use alternative mechanisms to obligate funds and allow work or deliveries to legally begin to the benefit of, and with legal protection for, both parties.

ii. Will incorporate the latest version of this IFB into such mechanisms to serve as a framework for contract execution until any such system problems are resolved.

iii. Will ensure any action taken does not conflict with the stated bid evaluation and award methodology of this requirement.

iv. Will issue a complete, properly formatted award accurately reflecting this requirement and all applicable terms and conditions once systems return to normal.

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