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(ACC/A2, AF IC)

COMMERCIAL SOLUTIONS OPENING (CSO)– CALL 0002

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Topic 005 -Enterprise-Wide Integration and Architecture Modernization
Topic 006 - Enterprise Asset and Lifecycle Management Improvements

AFSCI Infrastructure Modernization

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1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1.1 ACC/A25J, as lead command for the AFSCI network, is responsible for engineering, development, operations management and cybersecurity of AFSCI and other intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR) systems and networks.

1.2 AFSCI PMO (ACC/A25J) is looking for new and innovative capabilities in Enterprise-Wide Integration and Architecture Modernization to include Enterprise Asset and Lifecycle Management Improvements.

2. PURPOSE

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2.1 This Commercial Solutions Opening (CSO) Call, in accordance with 10 USC 3458, Federal Acquisition Regulation-Overhaul (RFO) 6.101, and R-DFARS 212.70 Defense Commercial Solutions Opening, is a competitive solicitation of proposals focused on technologies to meet ACC/A2's and the AF IC's mission. The Government seeks the best approaches to meet the capability objectives described herein.

2.2 "Innovative" means any technology, process, or method, including research and development, that is new as of the date of proposal submission, or any new application of an existing technology, process, or method as of that date.

2.3 The Government anticipates a single award under this CSO for an integrated solution encompassing all topic areas and capabilities described in **Attachment 6**.

3. CSO CALL APPROACH AND OVERVIEW

3.1 This CSO Call seeks the best commercial approaches to meet various technology objectives of ACC/A2 in support of AF Intelligence Community (IC) initiatives. All items, technologies, and services acquired using a CSO Call will be treated as commercial items. The Government encourages proposals that span a wide spectrum of possible technical and business solutions in response to the specific technology topics stated in **Attachment 6**. The Government reserves the right to award funding to any combination of proposals which offer the best overall value to the Government, and to oversee any and all processes and approaches once initiated. Awards of efforts as a result of this announcement will be in the form of contracts or other transactions (OT) as codified in 10 U.S.C. §2371b (section 2371b).

3.2 Funding for participation in this program is highly competitive, and the price of proposed technologies should be considered. Awards resulting from this CSO Call will be made based on the evaluation results of a two-stepped proposal process described in Section 5. The Government reserves the right to fund all, some, one, or none of the proposals submitted; may elect to fund only part of a submitted proposal; and may incrementally fund any or all awards under this CSO Call. All awards are subject to the availability of funds.

3.3 All coordination and communication between offerors and the Government will be conducted using the System for Award Management (SAM) website at SAM.gov and the points of contact associated within this CSO Call, as specified in Section 4.

3.4 Note: Do not include Proprietary, classified, confidential, or sensitive information in responses.

Whitepaper responses are not offers and cannot be accepted by the U.S. Government to form a binding contract or agreement. This notice shall not be construed as a commitment by the government to issue a solicitation, or ultimately award a contract, nor does it restrict the government to a particular acquisition approach.

The government will in no way be bound to this information if any formal solicitation is issued. This request for whitepapers is issued solely for information, market research, planning purposes and to identify interested sources. Further, unsolicited proposals will not be accepted. Funding is not available at this time. Release of this request for whitepapers should not be construed as such a commitment or as authorization to incur cost for which reimbursement would be required or sought.

Response to this CSO Call is voluntary and no reimbursement will be made for any costs associated with providing information in response to this and any follow-on information requests. All submissions become government property and will not be returned.

4. GENERAL INFORMATION

4.1 *POINT OF CONTACTS*. Questions regarding the administrative content of this CSO Call must be addressed to the Contracting Office below. Questions regarding the technical content of this CSO Call must be addressed to the Technical Point of Contact (POC) below.

Contracting Office POC: Gregory Love
Email: 16AF.AMIC.Det2PKBICCSO@us.af.mil

Technical POC: AFSCI PMO (ACC/A25J)
Email: 16AF.AMIC.Det2PKBICCSO@us.af.mil

4.2 *CLASSIFIED INFORMATION*. Offerors are encouraged to submit unclassified white papers to simplify and expedite reviews and response by the Government. If an offeror deems that a white paper contains classified information, please refer to paragraph 5.2.1.3 for submission instructions. Classified submissions must be handled, labeled, and stored in accordance with the National Industrial Security Program (NISP) Operating Manual.

Offerors must possess all required personnel security clearances, facility clearances, and other infrastructure requirements necessary to perform any proposed classified work in accordance with the Contract Security Classification Specification (DD Form 254) without reliance on Government resources.

5. SUBMISSION INFORMATION

5.1 *SUBMISSION OVERVIEW*. Step I submissions shall include both the Quad Charts and White Papers prepared in accordance with the formats at **Attachments 1 & 2** respectively. Each company may submit one white paper and one quad chart for this CSO Call. Submissions should address all TOPICS and all requirements outlined in **Attachment 6**. Step I submissions can be submitted at any time prior to **17 June 2026, by 1600 CST** but offerors are encouraged to monitor Sam.gov for any specific amendments to the CSO Call that may have updated information. The Government will invite select Offerors to submit full proposals based on favorable evaluation results of Step I submissions. Step II submissions will be requested ONLY by the Contracting Officer and will contain separate submission instructions and timelines within the Request for Proposal (RFP) letter.

5.2 *TWO-STEP SUBMISSION*. This CSO Call will be conducted in two steps as follows:

5.2.1 *STEP I*. Interested offerors must submit Quad Charts and White Papers in accordance with instructions provided in this CSO Call. Step I submissions will be evaluated against criteria as described in **Attachment 7** of this CSO Call. Due to the requirements and financial scope of this CSO Call, offerors must ensure that submissions are succinct yet descriptive. Proposals will not be evaluated beyond page length limitations. Proposals that lack technical depth and rigor or are not within the ACC/A2 mission will be assessed accordingly.

5.2.1.1 All Quad Charts should include the information indicated on the sample template in **Attachment 1**.

5.2.1.2 The White Paper narrative expands on the Quad Chart presentation. Instructions for format and content are located in **Attachment 2**. Each offeror shall include in the white paper a preliminary Technology Readiness Level (TRL) assessment of the proposed technology that conforms to the technology objectives and an expected TRL at the conclusion of the effort. The offeror shall perform a TRL assessment according to the Department of War Technology Readiness Assessment Guidance. The offeror must address the overall proposed TRL for the system, application, or process – not just individual components.

5.2.1.3 White paper and quad chart submissions shall be sent to 16AF.AMIC.Det2PKBICCSO@us.af.mil for review and shall include **"Call 0002 – AFSCI Infrastructure Modernization"** in the subject line of the email. If there is a need for a classified white paper/quad chart submission, send an email to 16AF.AMIC.Det2PKBICCSO@us.af.mil to receive instructions for classified submissions.

5.2.2 *Notification of Selection*. All offerors providing Step I submissions will be contacted by the Government, either with an email letter informing them that the effort proposed is not of interest to the Government at this time or with a request for a formal price and technical proposal by a specific date.

5.2.3 *STEP II*. **Step II proposals will only be accepted from Offerors who upon review of Step I submissions, are invited by the Contracting Officer to submit a full proposal.** In order to be considered for award under Step II, offerors must be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) at www.sam.gov, be considered responsible within the meaning of RFO 9.1, have a satisfactory performance record, and otherwise be eligible for award based on federal law and regulation.

5.2.3.1 *Proposal Submission*. Upon notification for a proposal by the Contracting Officer, offerors have 15 calendar days to prepare and submit a proposal in accordance with the format and instructions at **Attachments 3-5**. Each proposal shall include a Statement of Work (SOW) and detailed pricing. All pages shall be numbered.

5.2.3.2 *Proposal Review, Evaluation and Selection Process*. Each proposal will be evaluated on its technical merit according to the criteria and process detailed in **Attachment 7**. Proposal selection will be primarily based on technical merit, importance to agency programs, and funding availability. Qualified Government personnel will conduct reviews and, if necessary, convene panels of experts for evaluation.

5.2.3.3 *Rights in Technical Data, Computer Software and Computer Software Documentation.* Offerors shall mark each page of their proposal that contains proprietary information. It is the Government's intention to acquire only that which is necessary to satisfy agency needs and this will be negotiated on a case-by-case basis. An offeror may provide with its proposal assertions to restrict, use, release or disclosure of data and/or computer software and computer software documentation that will be provided in the course of contract performance. Rules governing these assertions can be found in RFO Part 27 and R-DFARS Part 227 and may be accessed at https://www.acquisition.gov/far-overhaul.

ATTACHMENT 1: QUAD CHART FORMAT

The following information must be included in the Step I Quad Chart. Quad Charts shall not exceed 1-page in landscape view. Quad Charts must follow the formatting guidelines on the slide template below but can adapt milestones to appropriate measurable outcomes based on the solution proposed (the proposed period of performance may be months versus years, etc.).

Project Title

Objective: Clear concise (1-2 sentence) description of the goal of the effort (≥ 12-pt font)

Description of Effort: Brief description of the technology proposed for investigations and methods to be used during the course of investigation (≥12-pt font).

Photograph or graphic illustration of concept or technology. Any text must be ≥ 12-pt font.

Benefits: Brief statement that identifies the net advantages of the proposed technology over current practices and competing technologies (≥ 12-pt font)

Challenges:

- Bulleted list of technical or scientific challenges (≥ 12-pt font)

Maturity of Technology: Description of the current maturity of the proposed technology with respect to the Technology Readiness Level (≥12-pt font).

Major Goals and Milestones by Fiscal Year (FY):

- Bulleted list (≥ 12-pt font)
- Deliverables: (e.g., study, written reports, prototype device, or proof of prototype testing)

Proposed Funding ($K):

Year 1	Year 2	Total
$000	$000	$000

Period of Performance: (≥12-pt font).

Contact Info: Name, email, phone (≥12-pt font).

ATTACHMENT 2: STEP I WHITE PAPER FORMAT

The White Paper narrative expands on the Quad Chart presentation, and must be 8.5 x 11 inches with one-inch margins, no longer than two pages, single-spaced, with text in Times New Roman, no smaller than 12 point font. All white papers must specify a project title, the Offeror's organization, CAGE code, the specific topic areas, and Call number associated with the submission (see **Attachment 6**). Pages in excess of the page limitation will not be read or evaluated. White Papers must not exceed a file size of 10 MB.

The White Paper must be limited only to further explanation of the information conveyed in the Quad Chart, as deemed necessary by the Offeror. The information should provide sufficient information on the proposed solution to allow for an assessment by a technical expert.

Expand as deemed necessary on the following sections of the Quad Chart:

- Objective and integrated solution approach across all capability areas
- Description of the effort
- Benefits of the Proposed Technology
- Technical and integration challenges and proposed mitigations
- TRL at project start and planned TRL at project completion
- Major Goals/Milestones by Government fiscal year.

White paper and quad charts shall be sent to 16AF.AMIC.Det2PKBICCSO@us.af.mil for review and shall include **"Call 0002 – AFSCI Infrastructure Modernization"** in the subject line of the email.

If there is a need for a classified white paper/quad chart submission, send an email to 16AF.AMIC.Det2PKBICCSO@us.af.mil to receive instructions for classified submissions.

ATTACHMENT 3: STEP II TECHNICAL PROPOSAL FORMAT
(DO NOT SUBMIT UNLESS INVITED BY CO IAW Section 5.2.3 above)

The Technical Proposal portion of the Step II submission shall not exceed 10 pages, excluding cover page and table of contents. Any pages submitted in excess of the 10-page limit will not be considered or evaluated.

Suggested page limitations for individual sections are listed below; however, these are guidelines not strict limits.

I. ABSTRACT. *[1 page suggested.]*

II. SCOPE. This proposal is submitted in response to the HAF/A2 Commercial Solutions Opening (CSO) Call on….. *[Cite the Project Title. 8 pages suggested.]*

a. Objective. *[A clear and concise description of the objective of the proposed project.]*

b. Background. *[Provide the necessary technical and scientific background to support the scientific and technical merits of the proposed project.]*

c. Programmatics. This effort will support the ACC/A2 & AF IC initiative *[topic number]* aimed at developing *[capability area or topic title]* technologies or methodologies. *[Describe the offeror's management plan for the proposed project; list supporting and collaborating organizations and subcontractors; clearly identify roles and responsibilities of each organization and subcontractor supporting the project].*

d. Relevance. *[Describe the relevance of the proposed project in terms of ACC/A2 and AF IC mission, end-user needs and the technology maturity of the proposed project.]*

III. CREDENTIALS. *[Describe the Offeror's qualifications to perform the proposed work across all capability areas. 2 pages suggested.]*

IV. WORK TO BE PERFORMED. *[Provide details of the work to be performed by task and subtask. 9 pages suggested.]*

a. General. *[Provide an overview.]*

b. Detailed Tasks. *[Describe the details of all tasks needed to perform the proposed work. Clearly distinguish base period tasks and option tasks as appropriate.]*

V. PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE. *[Depict the tasks and sub-tasks and the duration of performance of each in a Gantt chart or other suitable chart. Briefly describe the proposed period of performance. 2 pages suggested.]*

VI. REFERENCES. *[List any relevant documents used to develop the technical approach. 1 page suggested]*

ATTACHMENT 4: STEP II PRICE PROPOSAL FORMAT

(DO NOT SUBMIT UNLESS INVITED BY CO IAW Section 5.2.3 above)

The price proposal must include pricing information sufficiently detailed for a meaningful evaluation. Since this CSO Call is limited to commercial solutions, detailed cost breakdowns are not required. However, the offeror must provide sufficient supporting data for the Contracting Officer to determine price reasonableness. The offeror bears the burden of establishing price reasonableness.

The Offeror shall prepare the Price Proposal (with the exception of the narrative information described below) using Microsoft Excel format, but shall merge all Price Proposal documents into one Adobe PDF file for ultimate proposal submission. Include the Topic Number and the Project Title on all pages. Retain the Excel version for subsequent Government request.

Format requirements:

- Paper Size – 8.5 X 11-inch paper
- Margins 1-inch
- Spacing – single
- Font – Times New Roman, 12 Point

Cover sheet attached to the price proposal shall include:

- Full company name and address of Prime Contractor
- CSO Call number and Title
- Point of contact, name, title, and phone number
- CAGE code
- Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)
- Identification of any Government property required for performance

NOTE: If an Offeror takes exceptions to the requirements called out in the announcement, the exceptions should be clearly stated in the price proposal.

ATTACHMENT 5: STEP II STATEMENT OF WORK (SOW) FORMAT
(DO NOT SUBMIT UNLESS INVITED BY CO IAW Section 5.2.3 above)

A SOW must be included in with the full proposal as part of the Step II submission. The SOW does not have a page limit but should be approximately 3–5 pages in length and must be a separate and distinct document suitable for incorporation into the procurement instrument. Do not include proprietary data or markings in the SOW. Pages must be numbered and the initial page must show the document date under the title.

The proposed SOW must accurately describe the work to be performed, and performance metrics based on your proposed solution and the objectives in the SOO. The proposed SOW must also contain a summary description of the technical methodology as well as the task description, but not in so much detail as to make the SOW inflexible. The SOW template should include the following sections and specifically respond to the Statement of Objectives (SOO) the Government provided with the Request for Proposal (RFP):

1. *OBJECTIVE*. This section is intended to give a brief overview of the project and should describe why the work is being pursued and what the offeror intends to accomplish.

2. *SCOPE*. This section includes a statement of what the SOW covers. This should describe all capability areas, goals, and milestones for the effort.

3. *BACKGROUND*. The offeror must identify appropriate documents that are applicable to the effort to be performed. This section includes any information, explanations, or constraints that are necessary to understand the project tasks and requirements. This section should describe the effort's relationship to previous and ongoing efforts.

4. *TASKS AND TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS*. This section contains the detailed description of tasks that are necessary to perform the proposed work. These tasks will represent the work to be performed in any potential contract award, and, thus, shall be considered contractually binding. This section should be developed in an orderly progression and presented in sufficient detail to establish the feasibility of accomplishing the overall program goals. This section should clearly distinguish base period tasks from option tasks. The sequence of performance must be presented by fiscal year and task order, as in Section IV of the Technical Proposal. The SOW must contain every task to be accomplished and the metrics by which these tasks will be measured, generally depicted in a Services Summary. Note that the Government reserves the right to modify and negotiate the language in the SOW prior to any potential contract award.

   4.1. Task descriptions must be definite, realistic, and clearly stated. Use the phrase "the contractor shall" whenever the work statement expresses a provision that is binding. Use "should" or "may" whenever it is necessary to express a declaration

of purpose. Use “will” in cases where no Offeror requirement is involved (e.g., power will be supplied by the government. Use active voice in describing work to be performed.

4.2. Do not use acronyms or abbreviations without first defining them. Place abbreviations and acronyms in parentheses following the first usage of the spelled-out phrase.

4.3. If presentations and meetings are identified in the Offeror’s schedule, the Offeror must include the following statement in the SOW: “Conduct presentations and meetings at times and places specified in the contract schedule.”

4.4. The desired project structure consists of base period tasks, focused on demonstrating the feasibility of the technology, and option tasks, which cover design, fabrication, testing, and evaluation of the final product. Execution of option tasks will be dependent upon and determined by the contractor’s performance during and the results produced from the base period tasks.

ATTACHMENT 6: SOLICITATION TOPICS

TOPIC 005: Enterprise-Wide Integration and Architecture Modernization
The ACC/A2 seeks innovative solutions to support the integration of data across disparate monitoring phenomenologies and modernization of hardware/software architectures. This topic includes:

- New solutions to integrate data access and discoverability across varying monitoring phenomenologies to lower detection thresholds and/or increase efficiency of current operations.
- Technologies to modernize hardware/software architectures or implement improved performance, scalability, security, and maintenability.

TOPIC 006: Enterprise Asset and Lifecycle Management Improvements
The ACC/A2 seeks innovative solutions that can provide enterprise-wide asset management visibility as well as improve our lifecycle management capabilities. This topic includes:

- Increase accuracy of forecasting of requirements and scheduling of procurements through the use and exploitation of supply chain demand data
- Supply chain management, specifically: Automated systems to reduce/eliminate inefficiency, improve asset control, decrease touchpoints and minimize inventory
- Automated identification and reporting of components and systems with substandard reliability

AFSCI Infrastructure Support

ACC A2 is looking for new and innovative capabilities to provide comprehensive engineering and support services to modernize and maintain the AFSCI Enterprise infrastructure. The solution must be compatible with existing Cisco infrastructure.

1 Enterprise Engineering and Operational Support needs

- ACC/A2 is seeking advanced, enterprise-level architectural design and sustainment models seamlessly integrated into a TS/SCI environment. We are seeking holistic, secure solutions that maximize scalability while fundamentally transforming the visibility, operational resiliency, and efficiency of the AFSCI enterprise infrastructure to meet dynamic mission demands.

2 Engineering and Architecture Modernization Need

- We desire innovative methodologies for the continuous assessment, modernization, and optimization of our network and security architectures. We are seeking advanced solutions to dynamically manage architectural baselines, technology roadmaps, and lifecycle documentation across our existing, Cisco-compatible infrastructure, ensuring resilient and rapid adaptation to emerging cyber threats and mission demands.
- Seeking innovative capabilities to align business and mission objectives with

scalable technical solutions while balancing security, interoperability, operational risk, and cost.

- Additionally, the enterprise seeks novel approaches for configuration impact analysis, risk management, performance measurement, and executive-level reporting to support enterprise planning and operational decision-making.

3 Operational Support and Troubleshooting

- Looking for innovative methods for maintaining continuity of operations and improving responsiveness within AFSCI Enterprise.
- Seeking innovative solutions to achieve a unified, comprehensive operating picture of our technical and security landscapes. We invite industry to propose methodologies or platforms that provide real-time, actionable intelligence on operational anomalies and vulnerabilities, while seamlessly streamlining vendor coordination and lifecycle sustainment to ensure uninterrupted mission readiness.
- Seeking next-generation strategies for continuous service resiliency and rapid incident resolution. We are highly interested in advanced methodologies such as automated remediation, AI-driven diagnostics, or modernized support models that drastically reduce mean time to recovery, optimize integrated system performance, and mitigate operational risks.

4 Enterprise Licensing and Technology Flexibility

- Efficient and scalable approach to Cisco compatible software licensing and technology adoption.
- We seek transformative enterprise licensing paradigms that shift away from transactional software procurement toward a streamlined, unified consumption model. Industry partners are encouraged to present constructs that maximize capability access, ensure seamless interoperability with legacy systems, and provide financial certainty.

5 Enterprise Service and High Touch Support

- Seeking innovative service management frameworks capable of delivering elite, high-touch operational support natively within a TS/SCI environment. Looking for solutions that transform asset visibility, entitlement tracking, and vendor coordination into proactive, synchronized capabilities, ultimately driving rapid issue resolution and comprehensive operational awareness.

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ATTACHMENT 7: EVALUATION CRITERIA AND SELECTION PROCESS

The Government will review each Quad Chart and White Paper (Step I) and select offerors with the greatest potential to meet the operational needs of ACC/A2 & AF IC based on the capability areas in **Attachment 6**. A determination will first be made whether each offeror is technically qualified and has a comprehensive understanding to execute the proposed solution based on the information stated in the Quad Chart/White Paper.

The offeror is advised that only Firm Fixed Price (FFP) or Fixed Price Incentive (FPI) contracts may be awarded as a result of this CSO Call.

The Government will determine the most technically competent and capable of the qualified offerors using the criteria below:

- Criteria (Factors) for Selecting Quad Chart/White Paper for Full Proposal Submission:
    - Technical merit/applicability,
    - Importance to ACC/A2 & AF IC mission
    - Funding availability
- Relative Importance: All Factors are of equal importance
- Method of Evaluation: Peer or scientific review