SOLICITATION, OFFER, AND AWARD

1. This Contract is a Rated Order under the Defense Priorities and Allocations System (DPAS) - Code of Federal Regulations - at 15 CFR 700.

RATING

2. CONTRACT NUMBER	3. SOLICITATION NUMBER	4. TYPE OF SOLICITATION	5. DATE ISSUED	6. REQUISITION/PURCHASE NUMBER
	W91CRB26RA0200001	☐ SEALED BID (IFB) INVITATION FOR BID ☒ NEGOTIATED (RFP) REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL	13 MAY 2026	

7. ISSUED BY CODE W91CRB

W6QK ACC-APG
6515 INTEGRITY COURT, ABERDEEN PROVING GROU MD 21005-5001
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UNITED STATES
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8. ADDRESS OFFER TO *(If other than item 7)*

W6QK ACC-APG
DIVISION D, 6515 INTEGRITY COURT
ABERDEEN PROVING GROU, MD 21005-5001
UNITED STATES

NOTE: In sealed bid solicitations "offer" and "offeror" mean "bid" and "bidder".

SOLICITATION

9. Sealed offers in original and 1 copies for furnishings the supplies or services in the Schedule will be received at the place specified in item 8, or if hand carried, in the depository located in _____ until 10:00 AM *(Hour)* local time 04 JUN 2026 *(Date)*

CAUTION - LATE Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals: See Section L, Provision Number 52.214-7 or 52.215-1. All offers are subject to all terms and conditions contained in this solicitation.

10. FOR INFORMATION CALL:	A. NAME	B. TELEPHONE *(NO COLLECT CALLS)*			C. EMAIL ADDRESS
		AREA CODE	NUMBER	EXTENSION	
	NOAH LANE	520	725-6744		NOAH.R.LANE.CIV@ARMY.MIL

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OFFER *(Must be fully completed by offeror)*

NOTE: Item 12 does not apply if the solicitation includes the provisions at 52.214-16, Minimum Bid Acceptance Period.

12. In compliance with the above, the undersigned agrees, if this offer is accepted within _____ calendar days *(60 calendar days unless a different period is inserted by the offeror)* from the date for receipt of offers specified above, to furnish any or all items upon which prices are offered at the set opposite each item, delivered at the designated point(s), within the time specified in the schedule.

13. DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT *(See Section I, Clause Number 52.232-8)*	10 CALENDAR DAYS (%)	20 CALENDAR DAYS (%)	30 CALENDAR DAYS (%)	CALENDAR DAYS (%)

14. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS *(The offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments to the SOLICITATION for offerors and related documents numbered and dated):*	AMENDMENT NUMBER	DATE	AMENDMENT NUMBER	DATE
	0001	14 MAY 2026		

15A. NAME AND ADDRESS OF OFFEROR	CODE	FACILITY	16. NAME AND THE TITLE OF PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN OFFER *(Type or print)*

15B. TELEPHONE NUMBER			15C. CHECK IF REMITTANCE ADDRESS IS DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE - ENTER SUCH ADDRESS IN SCHEDULE.	17. SIGNATURE	18. OFFER DATE
AREA CODE	NUMBER	EXTENSION			
			☐		

AWARD *(To be completed by Government)*

19. ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS NUMBERED	20. AMOUNT	21. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION

22. AUTHORITY FOR USING OTHER THAN FULL OPEN COMPETITION UNDER THE UNITED STATES CODE AT:
☐ 10 U.S.C. 3204(a) ☐ 41 U.S.C. 3304(a) ( )

23. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN *(4 copies unless otherwise specified)* ITEM

24. ADMINISTERED BY *(If other than Item 7)*

25. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY CODE

26. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER *(Type or print)*	27. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA *(Signature of Contracting Officer)*	28. AWARD DATE

IMPORTANT - Award will be made on this Form, or on Standard Form 26, or by other authorized official written notice.

Section B - Supplies or Services & Prices or Costs

Additional Information/Notes

Item	Supplies/Service	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Amount
0001	Engineering Support Services - Labor Product Service Code: R420 Claimant Program Code: S1 Pricing Arrangement: Time and Materials	1	Job		
0002	ADMAS unit assembly Claimant Program Code: S1 Pricing Arrangement: Firm Fixed Price	1	Job		
0003	ODCs Claimant Program Code: S1 Pricing Arrangement: Cost No Fee	1	Job		
0004	Contract Data Requirements List (CDRL) as specified in Exhibits A-AB Product Service Code: R420 Claimant Program Code: S1 Pricing Arrangement: Firm Fixed Price	1	Job		

Section C - Description/Specifications/Statement of Work

Requirements

Scientific and Engineering Support Services. This is a commercial Solicitation. ATC has a continuing need for scientific and engineering support for the development of instrumentation systems and test facilities. This support needs to be of a quick response nature to solve instrumentation problems without costly delays to high priority test programs. See PWS attached in section J.

0002
Product Service Code : R420
North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) : 541330

0003
Product Service Code : R420
North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) : 541330

Section E - Inspection and Acceptance

Overall Contract Inspection/Acceptance Locations

0001	Inspection and Acceptance Location Both Destination Instructions: Instructions for delivery, inspection and acceptance will be available at the task order level. DoDAAC: W81C5M W4QU USA ABERDEEN TEST CENTER BLDG 358, 6850 LANYARD RD ABERDEEN PROVING GROU, MD 21005-5059 UNITED STATES
0002	Inspection and Acceptance Location Both Destination Instructions: Instructions for delivery, inspection and acceptance will be available at the task order level. DoDAAC: W81C5M W4QU USA ABERDEEN TEST CENTER BLDG 358, 6850 LANYARD RD ABERDEEN PROVING GROU, MD 21005-5059 UNITED STATES
0003	Inspection and Acceptance Location Both Destination Instructions: Instructions for delivery, inspection and acceptance will be available at the task order level. DoDAAC: W81C5M

	W4QU USA ABERDEEN TEST CENTER BLDG 358, 6850 LANYARD RD ABERDEEN PROVING GROU, MD 21005-5059 UNITED STATES
0004	Inspection and Acceptance Location Both Destination Instructions: Instructions for delivery, inspection and acceptance will be available at the task order level. DoDAAC: W81C5M W4QU USA ABERDEEN TEST CENTER BLDG 358, 6850 LANYARD RD ABERDEEN PROVING GROU, MD 21005-5059 UNITED STATES

Section F - Deliveries or Performance

0001	**Quantity** 1 Job **Address and POC** **Period of Performance** From 30 Jun 2026 To 29 Jun 2029
0002	**Quantity** 1 Job **Address and POC** **Period of Performance** From 30 Jun 2026 To 29 Jun 2029
0003	**Quantity** 1 Job **Address and POC** **Period of Performance** From 01 Jun 2026 To 29 Jun 2029
0004	**Quantity** 1 Job

	Address and POC **Period of Performance** From 30 Jun 2026 To 31 May 2029

Section G - Contract Administration Data

DFARS Clauses Incorporated by Reference

Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
252.201-7000	Contracting Officer's Representative.	1991-12		
252.232-7003	Electronic Submission of Payment Requests and Receiving Reports.	2018-12		

DFARS Clauses Incorporated by Full Text

Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
252.232-7006	Wide Area WorkFlow Payment Instructions.	2023-01		

WIDE AREA WORKFLOW PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS (JAN 2023)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

"Department of Defense Activity Address Code (DoDAAC)" is a six position code that uniquely identifies a unit, activity, or organization.

"Document type" means the type of payment request or receiving report available for creation in Wide Area WorkFlow (WAWF).

"Local processing office (LPO)" is the office responsible for payment certification when

payment certification is done external to the entitlement system.

"Payment request" and "receiving report" are defined in the clause at 252.232-7003, Electronic Submission of Payment Requests and Receiving Reports.

(b) Electronic invoicing. The WAWF system provides the method to electronically process vendor payment requests and receiving reports, as authorized by Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) 252.232-7003, Electronic Submission of Payment Requests and Receiving Reports.

(c) WAWF access. To access WAWF, the Contractor shall-

(1) Have a designated electronic business point of contact in the System for Award Management at https://www.sam.gov; and

(2) Be registered to use WAWF at https://wawf.eb.mil/ following the step-by-step procedures for self-registration available at this web site.

(d) WAWF training. The Contractor should follow the training instructions of the WAWF Web-Based Training Course and use the Practice Training Site before submitting payment requests through WAWF. Both can be accessed by selecting the "Web Based Training" link on the WAWF home page at https://wawf.eb.mil/

(e) WAWF methods of document submission. Document submissions may be via web entry, Electronic Data Interchange, or File Transfer Protocol.

(f) WAWF payment instructions. The Contractor shall use the following information when submitting payment requests and receiving reports in WAWF for this contract or task or delivery order:

(1) Document type. The Contractor shall submit payment requests using the following document type(s):

(i) For cost-type line items, including labor-hour or time-and-materials, submit a cost voucher.

(ii) For fixed price line items-

(A) That require shipment of a deliverable, submit the invoice and receiving report specified by the Contracting Officer.

____

(Contracting Officer: Insert applicable invoice and receiving report document type(s) for fixed price line items that require shipment of a deliverable.)

(B) For services that do not require shipment of a deliverable, submit either the Invoice 2in1, which meets the requirements for the invoice and receiving report, or the applicable invoice and receiving report, as specified by the Contracting Officer.

____

(Contracting Officer: Insert either "Invoice 2in1" or the applicable invoice and receiving report document type(s) for fixed price line items for services.)

(iii) For customary progress payments based on costs incurred, submit a progress payment request.

(iv) For performance based payments, submit a performance based payment request.

(v) For commercial financing, submit a commercial financing request.

(2)) Fast Pay requests are only permitted when Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.213-1 is included in the contract.

[Note: The Contractor may use a WAWF "combo" document type to create some combinations of invoice and receiving report in one step.]

(3) Document routing. The Contractor shall use the information in the Routing Data Table below only to fill in applicable fields in WAWF when creating payment requests and receiving reports in the system.

Routing Data Table*

Field Name in WAWF	Data to be entered in WAWF
Pay Official DoDAAC	____
Issue By DoDAAC	____
Admin DoDAAC	____
Inspect By DoDAAC	____

Ship To Code ____
Ship From Code ____
Mark For Code ____
Service Approver (DoDAAC) ____
Service Acceptor (DoDAAC) ____
Accept at Other DoDAAC ____
LPO DoDAAC ____
DCAA Auditor DoDAAC ____
Other DoDAAC(s) ____

(*Contracting Officer: Insert applicable DoDAAC information. If multiple ship to/acceptance locations apply, insert "See Schedule" or "Not applicable.")

(**Contracting Officer: If the contract provides for progress payments or performance-based payments, insert the DoDAAC for the contract administration office assigned the functions under FAR 42.302(a)(13).)

(4) Payment request. The Contractor shall ensure a payment request includes documentation appropriate to the type of payment request in accordance with the payment clause, contract financing clause, or Federal Acquisition Regulation 52.216-7, Allowable Cost and Payment, as applicable.

(5) Receiving report. The Contractor shall ensure a receiving report meets the requirements of DFARS Appendix F.

(g) WAWF point of contact.

(1) The Contractor may obtain clarification regarding invoicing in WAWF from the following contracting activity's WAWF point of contact.

____

(Contracting Officer: Insert applicable information or "Not applicable.")

(2) Contact the WAWF helpdesk at 866-618-5988, if assistance is needed.

(End of clause)

Section I - Contract Clauses

FAR Clauses Incorporated by Reference

Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
52.203-3	Gratuities.	1984-04		
52.203-6	Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government.	2020-06		
52.203-6	Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government. (Alternate I)	2020-06	Alternate I	2021-11
52.203-13	Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct.	2021-11		
52.203-19	Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements.	2017-01		
52.204-9	Personal Identity Verification of Contractor Personnel.	2011-01		
52.204-13	System for Award Management-Maintenance. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02		
52.209-6	Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting With Contractors Debarred, Suspended, Proposed for Debarment, or Voluntarily Excluded. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02		
52.209-9	Updates of Publicly Available	2026-02		

	Information Regarding Responsibility Matters. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	
52.209-10	Prohibition on Contracting With Inverted Domestic Corporations. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.212-4	Terms and Conditions-Commercial Products and Commercial Services. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.217-2	Cancellation Under Multi-year Contracts.	1997-10
52.219-6	Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.219-8	Utilization of Small Business Concerns. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.219-33	Nonmanufacturer Rule. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.222-3	Convict Labor. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.222-19	Child Labor-Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-03
52.222-35	Equal Opportunity for Veterans. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.222-36	Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02

52.222-37	Employment Reports on Veterans. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.222-40	Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.222-41	Service Contract Labor Standards. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.222-44	Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.222-50	Combating Trafficking in Persons. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.222-62	Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.223-23	Sustainable Products. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.226-8	Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving.	2024-05
52.229-12	Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements.	2021-02
52.232-33	Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management.	2018-10

52.232-40	Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors.	2023-03
52.233-3	Protest after Award. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.233-4	Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.240-91	Security Prohibitions and Exclusions. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.244-6	Subcontracts for Commercial Products and Commercial Services. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-04
52.245-1	Government Property.	2021-09
52.245-9	Use and Charges.	2012-04

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Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
252.203-7000	Requirements Relating to Compensation of Former DoD Officials.	2011-09		
252.203-7002	Requirement to Inform Employees of Whistleblower Rights.	2022-12		
252.204-7004	Antiterrorism Awareness Training	2023-01		

	for Contractors.	
252.204-7012	Safeguarding Covered Defense Information and Cyber Incident Reporting.	2024-05
252.204-7018	Prohibition on the Acquisition of Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services.	2023-01
252.205-7000	Provision of Information to Cooperative Agreement Holders.	2024-10
252.223-7008	Prohibition of Hexavalent Chromium.	2023-01
252.225-7001	Buy American and Balance of Payments Program.	2024-02
252.225-7002	Qualifying Country Sources as Subcontractors.	2022-03
252.225-7012	Preference for Certain Domestic Commodities.	2022-04
252.225-7056	Prohibition Regarding Business Operations with the Maduro Regime.	2023-01
252.225-7060	Prohibition on Certain Procurements from the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region.	2023-06
252.226-7001	Utilization of Indian Organizations, Indian-Owned Economic Enterprises, and Native Hawaiian Small Business Concerns.	2023-01

252.232-7010	Levies on Contract Payments.	2006-12
252.237-7010	Prohibition on Interrogation of Detainees by Contractor Personnel.	2023-01
252.242-7005	Contractor Business Systems.	2025-01
252.242-7006	Accounting System Administration.	2025-01
252.243-7002	Requests for Equitable Adjustment.	2022-12
252.245-7003	Contractor Property Management System Administration	2025-01
252.245-7005	Management and Reporting of Government Property.	2024-01
252.246-7008	Sources of Electronic Parts.	2023-01
252.247-7023	Transportation of Supplies by Sea.	2024-10

FAR Clauses Incorporated by Full Text

Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
52.212-4	Terms and Conditions-Commercial Products and Commercial Services. (Deviation 2026-O0038) (Alternate I)	2026-02	Alternate I	2026-02

Alternate I (Feb 2026) (Deviation 2026-O0038). When contemplating a time-and-materials or labor-hour contract, substitute the following paragraphs (a), (b), (i), (l), and (m) for those in the basic clause.

(a) The clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.202-1, Definitions, is incorporated by reference. As used in this clause-

Direct materials means those materials that enter directly into the end product, or that are used or consumed directly in connection with the furnishing of the end product or service.

Hourly rate means the rate(s) prescribed in the contract for payment for labor that meets the labor category qualifications of a labor category specified in the contract that are-

(1) Performed by the contractor;

(2) Performed by the subcontractors; or

(3) Transferred between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the contractor under a common control.

Materials means-

(1) Direct materials, including supplies transferred between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of the contractor under a common control;

(2) Subcontracts for supplies and incidental services for which there is not a labor category specified in the contract;

(3) Other direct costs (e.g., incidental services for which there is not a labor category specified in the contract, travel, computer usage charges, etc.);

(4) The following subcontracts for services which are specifically excluded from the hourly rate: ____[Insert any subcontracts for services to be excluded from the hourly rates prescribed in the schedule.]; and

(5) Indirect costs specifically provided for in this clause.

Subcontract means any contract, as defined in FAR 2.101, entered into with a subcontractor to furnish supplies or services for performance of the prime contract or a subcontract including transfers between divisions, subsidiaries, or affiliates of a contractor or subcontractor. It includes, but is not limited to, purchase orders, and changes and modifications to purchase orders.

(b) Inspection/Acceptance.

(1) The Government has the right to inspect and test all materials furnished and services performed under this contract at all places and times before acceptance. The Government will perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.

(2) If the Government performs inspection or tests on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish and shall require subcontractors to furnish all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of these duties.

(3) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Government will accept or reject services and materials at the place of delivery as promptly as practicable after delivery, and they will be presumed accepted 60 days after the date of delivery, unless accepted earlier.

(4) At any time during contract performance, but not later than 6 months (or such other time as may be specified in the contract) after acceptance of the services or materials last delivered under this contract, the Government may require the Contractor to replace or correct services or materials that at time of delivery failed to meet contract requirements. Except as otherwise specified in paragraph (b)(6) of this clause, the cost of replacement or correction shall be determined under paragraph (i) of this clause, but the "hourly rate" for labor hours incurred in the replacement or correction shall be reduced to exclude that portion of the rate attributable to profit. Unless otherwise specified below, the portion of the "hourly rate" attributable to profit shall be 10 percent. The Contractor shall not tender for acceptance materials and services required to be replaced or corrected without disclosing the former requirement for replacement or correction, and, when required, shall disclose the corrective action taken. ____[Insert portion of labor rate attributable to profit.]

(5)(i) If the Contractor fails to proceed with reasonable promptness to perform required replacement or correction, and if the replacement or correction can be performed within the ceiling price (or the ceiling price as increased by the Government), the Government may-

(A) By contract or otherwise, perform the replacement or correction, charge to the Contractor any increased cost, or deduct such increased cost from any amounts paid or due under this

contract; or

(B) Terminate this contract for cause.

(ii) Failure to agree to the amount of increased cost to be charged to the Contractor shall be a dispute under the Disputes clause of the contract.

(6) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b)(4) and (5) of this clause, the Government may, at any time, require the Contractor to remedy by correction or replacement, without cost to the Government, any failure by the Contractor to comply with the requirements of this contract, if the failure is due to-

(i) Fraud, lack of good faith, or willful misconduct on the part of the Contractor's managerial personnel; or

(ii) The conduct of one or more of the Contractor's employees selected or retained by the Contractor after any of the Contractor's managerial personnel has reasonable grounds to believe that the employee is habitually careless or unqualified.

(7) This clause applies in the same manner and to the same extent to corrected or replacement materials or services as to materials and services originally delivered under this contract.

(8) The Contractor has no obligation or liability under this contract to correct or replace materials and services that at time of delivery do not meet contract requirements, except as provided in this clause or as may be otherwise specified in the contract.

(9) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Contractor's obligation to correct or replace Government-furnished property shall be governed by the clause pertaining to Government property.

(i) Payments.

(1) Work performed. The Government will pay the Contractor as follows upon the submission of commercial invoices approved by the Contracting Officer:

(i) Hourly rate.

(A) The amounts shall be computed by multiplying the appropriate hourly rates prescribed in the contract by the number of direct labor hours performed. Fractional parts of an hour shall be

payable on a prorated basis.

(B) The rates shall be paid for all labor performed on the contract that meets the labor qualifications specified in the contract. Labor hours incurred to perform tasks for which labor qualifications were specified in the contract will not be paid to the extent the work is performed by individuals that do not meet the qualifications specified in the contract, unless specifically authorized by the Contracting Officer.

(C) Invoices may be submitted once each month (or at more frequent intervals, if approved by the Contracting Officer) to the Contracting Officer or the authorized representative.

(D) When requested by the Contracting Officer or the authorized representative, the Contractor shall substantiate invoices (including any subcontractor hours reimbursed at the hourly rate in the schedule) by evidence of actual payment, individual daily job timecards, records that verify the employees meet the qualifications for the labor categories specified in the contract, or other substantiation specified in the contract.

(E) Unless the Schedule prescribes otherwise, the hourly rates in the Schedule shall not be varied by virtue of the Contractor having performed work on an overtime basis.

(1) If no overtime rates are provided in the Schedule and the Contracting Officer approves overtime work in advance, overtime rates shall be negotiated.

(2) Failure to agree upon these overtime rates shall be treated as a dispute under the Disputes clause of this contract.

(3) If the Schedule provides rates for overtime, the premium portion of those rates will be reimbursable only to the extent the overtime is approved by the Contracting Officer.

(ii) Materials.

(A) If the Contractor furnishes materials that meet the definition of a commercial product at FAR 2.101, the price to be paid for such materials shall not exceed the Contractor's established catalog or market price, adjusted to reflect the-

(1) Quantities being acquired; and

(2) Any modifications necessary because of contract requirements.

(B) Except as provided for in paragraph (i)(1)(ii)(A) and (D)(2) of this clause, the Government will reimburse the Contractor the actual cost of materials (less any rebates, refunds, or discounts received by the contractor that are identifiable to the contract) provided the Contractor-

(1) Has made payments for materials in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement or invoice; or

(2) Makes these payments within 30 days of the submission of the Contractor's payment request to the Government and such payment is in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement or invoice.

(C) To the extent able, the Contractor shall-

(1) Obtain materials at the most advantageous prices available with due regard to securing prompt delivery of satisfactory materials; and

(2) Give credit to the Government for cash and trade discounts, rebates, scrap, commissions, and other amounts that are identifiable to the contract.

(D) Unless listed below, other direct and indirect costs will not be reimbursed.

(1) Other direct costs. The Government will reimburse the Contractor on the basis of actual cost for the following, provided such costs comply with the requirements in paragraph (i)(1)(ii)(B) of this clause: ____[Insert each element of other direct costs (e.g., travel, computer usage charges, etc. Insert "None" if no reimbursement for other direct costs will be provided. If this is an indefinite delivery contract, the Contracting Officer may insert "Each order must list separately the elements of other direct charge(s) for that order or, if no reimbursement for other direct costs will be provided, insert 'None'".]

(2) Indirect costs (material handling, subcontract administration, etc.). The Government will reimburse the Contractor for indirect costs on a pro-rata basis over the period of contract performance at the following fixed price:____[Insert a fixed amount for the indirect costs and payment schedule. Insert "$0" if no fixed price reimbursement for indirect costs will be provided. (If this is an indefinite delivery contract, the Contracting Officer may insert "Each order must list separately the fixed amount for the indirect costs and payment schedule or, if no reimbursement for indirect costs, insert 'None')."]

(2) Total cost. The total cost to the Government for the performance of this contract shall not exceed the ceiling price set forth in the Schedule. The Contractor agrees to use its best efforts

to perform the work specified in the Schedule and all obligations under this contract within such ceiling price. If at any time the Contractor has reason to believe that the hourly rate payments and material costs that will accrue in performing this contract in the next succeeding 30 days, if added to all other payments and costs previously accrued, will exceed 85 percent of the ceiling price in the Schedule, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer giving a revised estimate of the total price to the Government for performing this contract with supporting reasons and documentation. If at any time during the performance of this contract, the Contractor has reason to believe that the total price to the Government for performing this contract will be substantially greater or less than the stated ceiling price, the Contractor shall so notify the Contracting Officer, giving a revised estimate of the total price for performing this contract, with supporting reasons and documentation. If at any time during performance of this contract, the Government has reason to believe that the work to be required in performing this contract will be substantially greater or less than the stated ceiling price, the Contracting Officer will so advise the Contractor, giving the revised estimate of the total amount of effort to be required under the contract.

(3) Ceiling price. The Government will not be obligated to pay the Contractor any amount in excess of the ceiling price in the Schedule, and the Contractor shall not be obligated to continue performance if to do so would exceed the ceiling price set forth in the Schedule, unless and until the Contracting Officer notifies the Contractor in writing that the ceiling price has been increased and specifies in the notice a revised ceiling that shall constitute the ceiling price for performance under this contract. When and to the extent that the ceiling price set forth in the Schedule has been increased, any hours expended and material costs incurred by the Contractor in excess of the ceiling price before the increase shall be allowable to the same extent as if the hours expended and material costs had been incurred after the increase in the ceiling price.

(4) Access to records. At any time before final payment under this contract, the Contracting Officer (or authorized representative) will have access to the following (access shall be limited to the listing below unless otherwise agreed to by the Contractor and the Contracting Officer):

(i) Records that verify that the employees whose time has been included in any invoice meet the qualifications for the labor categories specified in the contract;

(ii) For labor hours (including any subcontractor hours reimbursed at the hourly rate in the schedule), when timecards are required as substantiation for payment-

(A) The original timecards (paper-based or electronic);

(B) The Contractor's timekeeping procedures;

(C) Contractor records that show the distribution of labor between jobs or contracts; and

(D) Employees whose time has been included in any invoice for the purpose of verifying that these employees have worked the hours shown on the invoices.

(iii) For material and subcontract costs that are reimbursed on the basis of actual cost-

(A) Any invoices or subcontract agreements substantiating material costs; and

(B) Any documents supporting payment of those invoices.

(5) Overpayments/Underpayments. Each payment previously made shall be subject to reduction to the extent of amounts, on preceding invoices, that are found by the Contracting Officer not to have been properly payable and shall also be subject to reduction for overpayments or to increase for underpayments. The Contractor shall promptly pay any such reduction within 30 days unless the parties agree otherwise. The Government will pay any such increases within 30 days, unless the parties agree otherwise. The Contractor's payment will be made by check. If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on an invoice payment, the Contractor shall-

(i) Remit the overpayment amount to the payment office cited in the contract along with a description of the overpayment including the-

(A) Circumstances of the overpayment (e.g., duplicate payment, erroneous payment, liquidation errors, date(s) of overpayment);

(B) Affected contract number and delivery order number, if applicable;

(C) Affected line item or subline item, if applicable; and

(D) Contractor point of contact.

(ii) Provide a copy of the remittance and supporting documentation to the Contracting Officer.

(6) Interest.

(i) All amounts that become payable by the Contractor to the Government under this contract

shall bear simple interest from the date due until paid unless paid within 30 days of becoming due. The interest rate shall be the interest rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury, as provided in 41 U.S.C. 7109, which is applicable to the period in which the amount becomes due, and then at the rate applicable for each six-month period as established by the Secretary until the amount is paid.

(ii) The Government may issue a demand for payment to the Contractor upon finding a debt is due under the contract.

(iii) The Contracting Officer will issue a final decision if-

(A) The Contracting Officer and the Contractor are unable to reach agreement on the existence or amount of a debt in a timely manner;

(B) The Contractor fails to liquidate a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer within the timeline specified in the demand for payment unless the amounts were not repaid because the Contractor has requested an installment payment agreement; or

(C) The Contractor requests a deferment of collection on a debt previously demanded by the Contracting Officer.

(iv) If a demand for payment was previously issued for the debt, the demand for payment included in the final decision shall identify the same due date as the original demand for payment.

(v) Amounts shall be due at the earliest of the following dates:

(A) The date fixed under this contract.

(B) The date of the first written demand for payment, including any demand for payment resulting from a default termination.

(vi) The interest charge shall be computed for the actual number of calendar days involved beginning on the due date and ending on-

(A) The date on which the designated office receives payment from the Contractor;

(B) The date of issuance of a Government check to the Contractor from which an amount otherwise payable has been withheld as a credit against the contract debt; or

(C) The date on which an amount withheld and applied to the contract debt would otherwise have become payable to the Contractor.

(vii) The interest charge made under this clause may be reduced under the procedures prescribed in FAR part 32 in effect on the date of this contract.

(viii) Upon receipt and approval of the invoice designated by the Contractor as the "completion invoice" and supporting documentation, and upon compliance by the Contractor with all terms of this contract, any outstanding balances will be paid within 30 days unless the parties agree otherwise. The completion invoice, and supporting documentation, shall be submitted by the Contractor as promptly as practicable following completion of the work under this contract, but in no event later than 1 year (or such longer period as the Contracting Officer may approve in writing) from the date of completion.

(7) Release of claims. The Contractor, and each assignee under an assignment entered into under this contract and in effect at the time of final payment under this contract, shall execute and deliver, at the time of and as a condition precedent to final payment under this contract, a release discharging the Government, its officers, agents, and employees of and from all liabilities, obligations, and claims arising out of or under this contract, subject only to the following exceptions:

(i) Specified claims in stated amounts, or in estimated amounts if the amounts are not susceptible to exact statement by the Contractor.

(ii) Claims, together with reasonable incidental expenses, based upon the liabilities of the Contractor to third parties arising out of performing this contract, that are not known to the Contractor on the date of the execution of the release, and of which the Contractor gives notice in writing to the Contracting Officer not more than 6 years after the date of the release or the date of any notice to the Contractor that the Government is prepared to make final payment, whichever is earlier.

(iii) Claims for reimbursement of costs (other than expenses of the Contractor by reason of its indemnification of the Government against patent liability), including reasonable incidental expenses, incurred by the Contractor under the terms of this contract relating to patents.

(8) Prompt payment. The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.

(9) Discount. In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the payment check or the specified payment date if an electronic funds transfer payment is made.

(l) Termination for the Government's convenience. The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work under this contract and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid an amount for direct labor hours (as defined in the Schedule of the contract) determined by multiplying the number of direct labor hours expended before the effective date of termination by the hourly rate(s) in the contract, less any hourly rate payments already made to the Contractor plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system that have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred that reasonably could have been avoided.

(m) Termination for cause. The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon written request, with adequate assurances of future performance. The Government will send a cure notice to the Contractor, unless the reason for the termination is late delivery. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid an amount computed under paragraph (i), Payments, of this clause, but the "hourly rate" for labor hours expended in furnishing work not delivered to or accepted by the Government shall be reduced to exclude that portion of the rate attributable to profit. Unless otherwise specified in paragraph (b)(4) of this clause, the portion of the "hourly rate" attributable to profit shall be 10 percent. In the event of termination for cause, the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.

52.216-18 Ordering. 2020-08

Ordering (Aug 2020)

(a) Any supplies and services to be furnished under this contract shall be ordered by issuance of delivery orders or task orders by the individuals or activities designated in the Schedule. Such orders may be issued from 22 June 2026 through 21 June 2029[insert dates].

(b) All delivery orders or task orders are subject to the terms and conditions of this contract. In the event of conflict between a delivery order or task order and this contract, the contract shall control.

(c) A delivery order or task order is considered "issued" when-

(1) If sent by mail (includes transmittal by U.S. mail or private delivery service), the Government deposits the order in the mail;

(2) If sent by fax, the Government transmits the order to the Contractor's fax number; or

(3) If sent electronically, the Government either-

(i) Posts a copy of the delivery order or task order to a Government document access system, and notice is sent to the Contractor; or

(ii) Distributes the delivery order or task order via email to the Contractor's email address.

(d) Orders may be issued by methods other than those enumerated in this clause only if authorized in the contract.

(End of clause)

52.216-19 Order Limitations. 1995-10

Order Limitations (Oct 1995)

(a) Minimum order. When the Government requires supplies or services covered by this contract in an amount of less than $10,0000.00[insert dollar figure or quantity], the Government is not obligated to purchase, nor is the Contractor obligated to furnish, those supplies or services under the contract.

(b) Maximum order. The Contractor is not obligated to honor-

(1) Any order for a single item in excess of $10,000,000.00[insert dollar figure or quantity];

(2) Any order for a combination of items in excess of $10,000,000.00[insert dollar figure or quantity]; or

(3) A series of orders from the same ordering office within 5 days that together call for quantities exceeding the limitation in paragraph (b)(1) or (2) of this section.

(c) If this is a requirements contract (i.e., includes the Requirements clause at subsection 52.216-21 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)), the Government is not required to order a part of any one requirement from the Contractor if that requirement exceeds the maximum-order limitations in paragraph (b) of this section.

(d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, the Contractor shall honor any order exceeding the maximum order limitations in paragraph (b), unless that order (or orders) is returned to the ordering office within 3 days after issuance, with written notice stating the Contractor's intent not to ship the item (or items) called for and the reasons. Upon receiving this notice, the Government may acquire the supplies or services from another source.

(End of clause)

52.216-22	Indefinite Quantity. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02

Indefinite Quantity (Feb 2026) (Deviation 2026-O0038)

(a) This is an indefinite-quantity contract for the supplies or services specified, and effective for the period stated, in the Schedule. The quantities of supplies and services specified in the Schedule are estimates only and are not purchased by this contract.

(b) Delivery or performance shall be made only as authorized by orders issued in accordance with the Ordering clause. The Contractor shall furnish to the Government, when and if ordered, the supplies or services specified in the Schedule up to and including the quantity designated in the Schedule as the "maximum." The Government shall order at least the quantity of supplies or services designated in the Schedule as the "minimum."

(c) Except for any limitations on quantities in the Order Limitations clause or in the Schedule, there is no limit on the number of orders that may be issued. The Government may issue orders requiring delivery to multiple destinations or performance at multiple locations.

(d) Any order issued during the ordering period of this contract and not completed within that period shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the order, which may include order options to be exercised after the ordering period of this contract but before the end of the period of performance of the order. The contract shall govern the Contractor's and Government's rights and obligations with respect to that order, including options exercised, to the same extent as if the order were completed during the contract's ordering period; provided, that the Contractor shall not be required to make any deliveries under this contract after 31 December 2029[insert date].

(End of clause)

52.219-14	Limitations on Subcontracting. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02

Limitations on Subcontracting (Feb 2026) (Deviation 2026-O0038)

(a) This clause does not apply to the unrestricted portion of a partial set-aside.

(b) Definition. Similarly situated entity, as used in this clause, means a first-tier subcontractor,

including an independent contractor, that-

(1) Has the same small business program status as that which qualified the prime contractor for the award (e.g., for a small business set-aside contract, any small business concern, without regard to its socioeconomic status); and

(2) Is considered small for the size standard under the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code the prime contractor assigned to the subcontract.

(c) Applicability. This clause applies only to-

(1) Contracts that have been set aside for any of the small business concerns identified in 19.000(a)(3);

(2) Part or parts of a multiple-award contract that have been set aside for any of the small business concerns identified in 19.000(a)(3);

(3) Contracts that have been awarded on a sole-source basis in accordance with sections 19.105, 19.106, 19.107, and 19.108;

(4) Orders expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold and that are set aside for small business concerns under multiple-award contracts, as described in 8.4 and 16.5;

(5) Orders, regardless of dollar value, that are set aside in accordance with sections 19.105, 19.106, 19.107, and 19.108 under multiple-award contracts, as described in 8.4 and 16.5; and

(6) Contracts using the HUBZone price evaluation preference to award to a HUBZone small business concern unless the concern waived the evaluation preference.

(d) Independent contractors. An independent contractor shall be considered a subcontractor.

(e) By submission of an offer and execution of a contract, the Contractor agrees that in performance of a contract assigned a North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for-

(1) Services (except construction), it will not pay more than 50 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 50 percent subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. When a contract

includes both services and supplies, the 50 percent limitation shall apply only to the service portion of the contract;

(2) Supplies (other than procurement from a nonmanufacturer of such supplies), it will not pay more than 50 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 50 percent subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded. When a contract includes both supplies and services, the 50 percent limitation shall apply only to the supply portion of the contract;

(3) General construction, it will not pay more than 85 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 85 percent subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded; or

(4) Construction by special trade contractors, it will not pay more than 75 percent of the amount paid by the Government for contract performance, excluding the cost of materials, to subcontractors that are not similarly situated entities. Any work that a similarly situated entity further subcontracts will count towards the prime contractor's 75 percent subcontract amount that cannot be exceeded.

(f) The Contractor shall comply with the limitations on subcontracting as follows:

(1) For contracts, in accordance with paragraphs (c)(1), (2), (3) and (6) of this clause-

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

[ ] By the end of the base term of the contract and then by the end of each subsequent option period; or

[X] By the end of the performance period for each order issued under the contract.

(2) For orders, in accordance with paragraphs (c)(4) and (5) of this clause, by the end of the performance period for the order.

(g) A joint venture agrees that, in the performance of the contract, the applicable percentage specified in paragraph (e) of this clause will be performed by the aggregate of the joint venture

participants.

(1) In a joint venture comprised of a small business protégé and its mentor approved by the Small Business Administration, the small business protégé shall perform at least 40 percent of the work performed by the joint venture. Work performed by the small business protégé in the joint venture must be more than administrative functions.

(2) In an 8(a) joint venture, the 8(a) participant(s) shall perform at least 40 percent of the work performed by the joint venture. Work performed by the 8(a) participants in the joint venture must be more than administrative functions.

(End of clause)

52.222-42	Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires.	2014-05

Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (May 2014)

In compliance with the Service Contract Labor Standards statute and the regulations of the Secretary of Labor (29 CFR Part 4), this clause identifies the classes of service employees expected to be employed under the contract and states the wages and fringe benefits payable to each if they were employed by the contracting agency subject to the provisions of 5 U.S.C. 5341 or 5332.

This Statement is for Information Only: It is not a Wage Determination

Employee Class	Monetary Wage-Fringe Benefits
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_____	_____
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(End of clause)

Section J - List of Attachments

The attachments listed in this Section are incorporated by reference and made part of this contract with the same force and effect as if included in full text.

*** END OF NARRATIVE ***

Identifier	Document Name	Document Description	Reference Identifier	Date	Line Item	Page Numbers	Document Type	Provided Under Separate Cover
0001	B08 ATC Sc eintific a nd Enginer ing Suppor t Services Performan ce Work St atement	Performance Work Statement		05 May 2026			Attachment	No
0002	B08 Attach ment 2 Sci entific an d Engineer ing Suppor t_Price_Mo del 050520 26	Cost/Price_Model		05 May 2026			Attachment	No
0003	B08 Wage D eterminati on 2015-42 65 16 Janu ary 2026	Wage Determination		06 Feb 2026			Attachment	No
0004	Labor Cate gory Descr iptions Sc ientific a nd Enginee ring	Labor Category Description		06 Feb 2026			Attachment	No
0005	2025.05.08 - QASP Sc ientific a nd Enginee ring	Quality Assurance Surveillance Plan		06 Feb 2026			Attachment	No
AA	A001 Month ly Progres s	Contract Data Requirements List		06 Feb	0002		Exhibit	No

	Report	(CDRL)		2026				
AB	A002 Month ly Financi al Status	Contract Data Requirements List (CDRL)		06 Feb 2026	0002		Exhibit	No
0006	Sample Tas k	Sample Task		12 May 2026			Attachment	No

Section K - Representations, Certification, & Other Statements

FAR Provisions Incorporated by Reference

Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
52.203-11	Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions.	2024-09		
52.240-90	Security Prohibitions and Exclusions Representations and Certifications. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02		

DFARS Provisions Incorporated by Reference

Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
252.203-7005	Representation Relating to Compensation of Former DoD Officials.	2022-09		
252.204-7008	Compliance with Safeguarding Covered Defense Information Controls.	2016-10		
252.225-7055	Representation Regarding Business Operations with the Maduro Regime.	2022-05		
252.225-7059	Prohibition on Certain Procurements from the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region-	2023-06		

Representation.

FAR Provisions Incorporated by Full Text

Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
52.229-11	Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements-Notice and Representation.	2020-06		

Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements-Notice and Representation (Jun 2020)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision-

Foreign person means any person other than a United States person.

Specified Federal procurement payment means any payment made pursuant to a contract with a foreign contracting party that is for goods, manufactured or produced, or services provided in a foreign country that is not a party to an international procurement agreement with the United States. For purposes of the prior sentence, a foreign country does not include an outlying area of the United States.

United States person as defined in 26 U.S.C. 7701(a)(30) means

(1) A citizen or resident of the United States;

(2) A domestic partnership;

(3) A domestic corporation;

(4) Any estate (other than a foreign estate, within the meaning of 26 U.S.C. 701(a)(31)); and

(5) Any trust if-

(i) A court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust; and

(ii) One or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

(b) Unless exempted, there is a 2 percent tax of the amount of a specified Federal procurement payment on any foreign person receiving such payment. See 26 U.S.C. 5000C and its implementing regulations at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1 through 1.5000C-7.

(c) Exemptions from withholding under this provision are described at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1(d)(5) through (7). The Offeror may claim an exemption from the withholding by using the Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form W-14, Certificate of Foreign Contracting Party Receiving Federal Procurement Payments, available at www.irs.gov/w14. Any exemption claimed and self-certified on the IRS Form W-14 is subject to audit by the IRS. Any disputes regarding the imposition and collection of the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax are adjudicated by the IRS as the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax is a tax matter, not a contract issue. The IRS Form W-14 is provided to the acquiring agency rather than to the IRS.

(d) For purposes of withholding under 26 U.S.C. 5000C, the Offeror represents that

(1) It [ ] is [ ] is not a foreign person; and

(2) If the Offeror indicates "is" in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, then the Offeror represents that-I am claiming on the IRS Form W-14 [ ] a full exemption, or [ ] partial or no exemption [Offeror must select one] from the excise tax.

(e) If the Offeror represents it is a foreign person in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, then-

(1) The clause at FAR 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements, will be included in any resulting contract; and

(2) The Offeror shall submit with its offer the IRS Form W-14. If the IRS Form W-14 is not submitted with the offer, exemptions will not be applied to any resulting contract and the Government will withhold a full 2 percent of each payment.

(f) If the Offeror selects "is" in paragraph (d)(1) and "partial or no exemption" in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror will be subject to withholding in accordance with the clause at FAR

52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements, in any resulting contract.

(g) A taxpayer may, for a fee, seek advice from the IRS as to the proper tax treatment of a transaction. This is called a private letter ruling. Also, the IRS may publish a revenue ruling, which is an official interpretation by the IRS of the Internal Revenue Code, related statutes, tax treaties, and regulations. A revenue ruling is the conclusion of the IRS on how the law is applied to a specific set of facts. For questions relating to the interpretation of the IRS regulations go to https://www.irs.gov/help/tax-law-questions.

(End of provision)

DFARS Provisions Incorporated by Full Text

Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
252.204-7017	Prohibition on the Acquisition of Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation.	2021-05		

PROHIBITION ON THE ACQUISITION OF COVERED DEFENSE TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES-REPRESENTATION (MAY 2021)

The Offeror is not required to complete the representation in this provision if the Offeror has represented in the provision at 252.204-7016, Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation, that it "does not provide covered defense telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument."

(a) Definitions. "Covered defense telecommunications equipment or services," "covered

mission," "critical technology," and "substantial or essential component," as used in this provision, have the meanings given in the 252.204-7018 clause, Prohibition on the Acquisition of Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services, of this solicitation.

(b) Prohibition. Section 1656 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Pub. L. 115-91) prohibits agencies from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service to carry out covered missions that uses covered defense telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

(c) Procedures. The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) at https://www.sam.gov for entities that are excluded when providing any equipment, system, or service to carry out covered missions that uses covered defense telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, unless a waiver is granted.

(d) Representation. If in its annual representations and certifications in SAM the Offeror has represented in paragraph (c) of the provision at 252.204-7016, Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation, that it "does" provide covered defense telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument, then the Offeror shall complete the following additional representation:

The Offeror represents that it [ ] will [ ] will not provide covered defense telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to DoD in the performance of any award resulting from this solicitation.

(e) Disclosures. If the Offeror has represented in paragraph (d) of this provision that it "will provide covered defense telecommunications equipment or services," the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

(1) A description of all covered defense telecommunications equipment and services offered (include brand or manufacturer; product, such as model number, original equipment manufacturer (OEM) number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable).

(2) An explanation of the proposed use of covered defense telecommunications equipment and services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition referenced in paragraph (b) of this provision.

(3) For services, the entity providing the covered defense telecommunications services (include entity name, unique entity identifier, and Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code, if known).

(4) For equipment, the entity that produced or provided the covered defense telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known).

(End of provision)

Section L - Instructions, Conditions, & Notices to Offerors or Quoters

A. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION (Section L)

1. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

a. Each volume shall be submitted electronically via email. Any portion of the proposal that is changed (as a result of negotiations or proposal revisions) should be annotated and dated. Each volume shall be clearly labeled with its Title and a copy number (e.g., copy 1 of 5).

b. Each paragraph should be single spaced and shall be separated by at least one blank line. A standard, 12-point minimum font size applies. Arial or New Times Roman fonts are required. Tables and illustrations may use a reduced font size no less than 8-point and may be produced in landscape mode.

c. The following volumes of material shall be submitted:

Volume	Title	Digital Copies	Maximum Pages
I	Technical (Factor 1)	1	25
II	Past Performance (Factor 2)	1	25
III	Price (Factor 3)	1	No page limit
IV	Solicitation, Offer and Award Documents, and Certifications / Representations	1	No page limit

NOTE: Pages that exceed the required page limitations will not be evaluated. Additional pages over the maximum allowed will be removed or not read and will not be evaluated by the Government.

2. PROPOSAL FILES

a. Format. The submission shall be clearly indexed . Each volume shall be clearly identified and shall begin at the top of a page. All pages of each volume shall be appropriately numbered and identified by the complete company name, date and Request for Proposal (RFP) number in the header and/or footer. MS Word (doc) files shall use the following page setup parameters:

Margins - Top, Bottom, Left, and Right - 1"

From Edge - Header, Footer 0.5"

Page Size, Width - 8.5"

Page Size, Height - 11"

The following additional restrictions apply:

b. File Packaging. All of the proposal files shall be compressed (zipped) into one file entitled (Company Name Scientific and Engineering Support Services) proposal zip using WinZip version 6.2 or later, or as separate uploads in their native format, i.e., doc, xls, ppt, etc., and provided via email. Files shall be in read-only format, using PDF files. All price breakdown information to aide in the price evaluation shall be submitted in Microsoft Office Excel Read /Write format and viewable in Microsoft Excel 2007**Please note - Self extracting exe files are not acceptable.

c. Content Requirement. All information shall be confined to the appropriate file. Each file of the proposal shall consist of a Table of Contents, Summary Section, and the Narrative discussion. The Summary Section shall contain a brief abstract of the file. Proprietary information shall be clearly marked. The following shall be included in the Narrative discussion:

(i) **VOLUME I - Technical Factor 1**. One Technical volume will be submitted in accordance with the Performance Work Statement (PWS) and all other requirements described in the Solicitation and all attachments.

(ii) **VOLUME II - Past Performance.** This volume shall contain past performance information regarding recent and relevant contracts for the prime offeror and their major subcontractors who will perform in support of this contract Contract information shall be submitted for contracts performed during the past three years, from the issue date of this RFP. Relevant efforts are defined as

services/efforts that are the same as or similar to the effort (as compared to North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code 541330 required by the RFP. Past performance information concerning the offeror shall be provided first, followed by each proposed major subcontractor, in alphabetical order. The Offeror shall also submit the written consent of its major subcontractors to allow the disclosure of its subcontractor's past performance information to the Offeror. In addition, letters of commitment shall be included for all major subcontractors for their past performance to be considered. **NOTE:** Submissions. Offerors are discouraged from submitting contact reference information from a contractor who may be proposing for this requirement. This volume shall be organized into the following sections:

(1) Section 1 - Contract Descriptions. This section shall include the following information in the order below.

a. Offerors must make clear within the submitted references whether their role was a Prime Contractor or a Subcontractor. If the work was performed as a subcontractor, also provide the following information:

i. Contractor organization

ii. Current address

iii. Point of Contact

iv. Place of Performance

v. CAGE Code

vi. E-mail address

vii. Telephone

b. Offerors shall submit current address, e-mail address and telephone number for all the below:

i. Government contracting activity (Procuring Contracting Officer) Government's technical representative/Contracting Officer's Representative

ii. Government contract administration activity (Administrative Contracting Officer's name).

iii. Contract Number and, in the case of Indefinite Delivery type contracts, GSA contracts, and Blanket Purchase Agreements, include Delivery Order Numbers.

c. Contract Type (specific type such as Fixed-Price (FP), Cost Reimbursement (CR), Time & Material (T&M), etc.). In the case of Indefinite Delivery contracts, indicate specific type (Requirements, Definite Quantity, and Indefinite Quantity) and secondary contract type (FP, CR, T&M, etc.).

d. Awarded price/cost of the submitted references.

e. Final or projected final price/cost.

f. Original delivery schedule, including dates of start and completion of work.

g. Final or projected final, delivery schedule, including dates of start and completion of work.

(2) Section 2 - Performance. Offerors shall provide a brief narrative explanation of each contract listed in Section 1, Contract Description, describing the objectives achieved and detailing how the effort is relevant to the requirement of this RFP.

(a) For any contracts that did not/do not meet original schedule or technical performance requirements, provide a brief explanation of the reason(s) for the shortcomings and any corrective action(s) taken to avoid recurrence. The offerors shall list each time the delivery schedule was revised and provide an explanation of why the revision was necessary. All Requests for Deviation and Requests for Waiver shall be addressed with respect to causes and corrective actions. The offerors shall also provide copy of any Cure Notices or Show Cause Letters received on each contract listed and a description of any corrective action implemented by the offeror or proposed subcontractor. The offerors shall indicate if any of the contracts listed were terminated and the type and reasons for the termination.

(b) For all contracts, the offeror shall provide data on all manufacturing warranty returns.

(4) Section 3 - New Corporate Entities. New corporate entities may submit data on prior contracts involving its offices and employees. However, in addition to the other requirements in this section, the offeror shall discuss in detail the role performed by such persons in the prior contracts cited. Information should be included in the files described in the sections above. Letters of Commitment shall be included in the proposal for these employees to be considered.

(5) Past Performance Questionnaire. For all contracts identified in Section 1, Contract Descriptions , a Past Performance Questionnaire must be completed and submitted. The offeror shall complete Part I of the Past Performance Questionnaire and e-mail the questionnaire to both the Government contracting activity and technical representative responsible for the past /current contract. The POCs shall be instructed to electronically complete Part II of the questionnaire and e-mail the entire questionnaire to the Contracting Office no later than the proposal due date, to noah.r.lane.civ@army.mil. The offeror shall e-mail the Contracting Officer a list of all the POCs who were sent a questionnaire. The Government must receive this list no later than the proposal's due date. The POC List shall be submitted in Word for Windows Table Format to include the following fields: Solicitation Number; Company Name; Contract Number; Government Agency; POC Last Name, First Name; POC Title; POC Telephone Number; POC E-mail Address; and Date E-Mail to POC (month /day).

(i) **VOLUME III -Price**

The total evaluated price will be the sum of all CLINs on tab "Section B" of the Price Model spreadsheet tool included in the Solicitation as Attachment 2. In order to be considered for award, all Offerors must complete and submit the completed Price Model in accordance with the instructions provided therein. The total price of the COST CLIN will be set at award. All prices evaluated during proposal will be to determine the lowest price technically acceptable (LPTA) based on a total of all labor categories priced.

Offeror price proposals will be evaluated based on the stated criteria in Section M. This volume shall consist of all information, required to support proposed costs and prices. Certified cost and pricing data are not currently required; however, the Government reserves the right to request such data prior to award. The information submitted in this volume shall comply with FAR 15.408, Table 15-2, and the requirements set forth below. There are no page limitations for this volume.

(1) The offeror shall ensure that the information submitted in this volume is consistent with and fully supports the amounts set forth in the SF33 and continuation sheets.

(2) The proposal shall set forth a summary of the total estimated costs by cost element and shall provide a breakdown of the proposed estimated costs of each CLIN 0001 and 0002 separately, including all direct and indirect charges and fees. In order to maintain a minimum level of commonality between proposals, each offeror is required to complete (in entirety) the Price Model provided as Attachment 2 and fully price the sample task Attachment 4. The spreadsheets contained in the Cost Model tool shall be completed for each year. All documentation furnished to support the cost summaries are to be provided in a format chosen by the offeror that is easily traceable to the cost summary sheets. Each offeror and any subcontractors shall submit both a protected and unprotected copy (showing formulas, etc) of the cost summary spreadsheets as part of their cost/price proposal.

(3) The specific direct labor rates utilized to price the proposal must be identified in the cost and pricing proposal only. The proposal shall set forth a breakdown of the direct and indirect rates by category and the rationale thereof. The same support data shall be furnished for all major subcontractors.

(5) Direct labor hours and rates shall be delineated by labor category by contract year for the offeror and each subcontractor. The labor hour delineation must be directly traceable to the same information proposed in the Technical Volume.

(6) Pursuant to the Service Contract Act of 1965, the determination by the Secretary of Labor as to the applicable minimum monetary wage and fringe benefits will be made part of any resulting contract. The offeror shall provide a crosswalk of the proposed labor categories against the applicable Area Wage Determinations.

(7) For proposal preparation purposes, the expected or approximate date for initiation of contract performance is 20 June 2026.

(8) The offeror shall submit a complete breakdown of costs by major subcontractor. A major subcontractor is defined as a member of the offeror's overall team who is expected to perform 10% or more of the proposed effort.

(9) All offerors are required to document that they are financially capable of performing the proposed effort in accordance with FAR 9-104-1(a) & DFARS 253.209-1. Suitable supporting documentation should include financial statements and auditor's letters.

(iv) VOLUME IV - SOLICITATIONS, OFFER AND AWARD DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS /REPRESENTATIONS

Certifications and Representations - Each offeror shall complete (fill-in and signatures) the solicitation sections indicated below using the file (without modification to the file) provided with the RFP. An authorized official of the firm shall sign the SF 33 and all certifications requiring original signature. An Acrobat PDF file shall be created to capture the signatures for submission.

Section A - Standard Form 33 (SF 33), Solicitation, Offer, Award and any Amendments

Section B - "Supplies or Services and Prices," with the offeror's proposed line item prices inserted in the appropriate spaces.

Section K - Representations, Certification and Other Statements of Offerors

Fill-In Clauses:

52.229-11 Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements-Notice and Representation.

252.204-7017 Prohibition on the Acquisition of Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation.

DFARS 252.203-7005 Representation Relating to Compensation of Former DoD Officials (NOV 2011)

DFARS 252.204-7008 Compliance with Safeguarding Covered Defense Information Controls

Section L- Instructions, conditions, and notices to offerors or respondents

52.219-4 Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns. (Deviation)

Solicitations, Offer and Award Documents and Certifications/Representations shall not be addressed separately from that submitted in VOLUME IV - SOLICITATIONS, OFFER AND AWARD DOCUMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS /REPRESENTATIONS.

DISCUSSIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Government reserves the right to award without entering into Discussions in accordance with FAR 15.306(a)(3).

*** END OF NARRATIVE ***

FAR Provisions Incorporated by Reference

Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
52.203-18	Prohibition on Contracting with Entities that Require Certain	2017-01		

	Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements-Representation.	
52.204-7	System for Award Management-Registration. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.212-1	Instructions to Offerors-Commercial Products and Commercial Services. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.214-3	Amendments to Invitations for Bids. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.214-4	False Statements in Bids.	1984-04
52.214-5	Submission of Bids. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.214-6	Explanation to Prospective Bidders.	1984-04
52.214-7	Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals of Bids. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02
52.214-10	Contract Award-Sealed Bidding.	1990-07
52.214-12	Preparation of Bids.	1984-04
52.216-31	Time-and-Materials/Labor-Hour Proposal Requirements-Commercial Acquisition.	2021-11

DFARS Provisions Incorporated by Reference

Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
252.204-7024	Notice on the Use of the Supplier Performance Risk System.	2023-03		
252.215-7010	Requirements for Certified Cost or Pricing Data and Data Other Than Certified Cost or Pricing Data.	2024-05		
252.215-7011	Requirements for Submission of Proposals to the Administrative Contracting Officer and Contract Auditor.	2018-01		

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Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
52.214-15	Period for Acceptance of Bids.	1984-04		

Period for Acceptance of Bids (Apr 1984)

In compliance with the solicitation, the bidder agrees, if this bid is accepted within 60 calendar days (60 calendar days unless a different period is inserted by the bidder) from the date specified in the solicitation for receipt of bids, to furnish any or all items upon which prices are bid at the price set opposite each item, delivered at the designated point(s), within the time specified in the Schedule.

(End of provision)

52.219-4	Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns. (Deviation 2026-O0038)	2026-02

Notice of Price Evaluation preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (Feb 2026) (Deviation 2026-O0038)

(a) Evaluation preference.

(1) Offers will be evaluated by adding a factor of 10 percent to the price of all offers, except-

(i) Offers from HUBZone small business concerns that have not waived the evaluation preference; and

(ii) Otherwise successful offers from small business concerns.

(b) Waiver of evaluation preference. A HUBZone small business concern may choose to waive the evaluation preference. If the concern waives the preference, the factor will be added to its offer for evaluation purposes.

[ ] Offeror chooses to waive the evaluation preference.

(c) Joint venture. A HUBZone joint venture agrees that, in the performance of the contract, at least 40 percent of the aggregate work performed by the joint venture shall be completed by the HUBZone small business parties to the joint venture. Work performed by the HUBZone small business parties to the joint venture must be more than administrative functions.

(End of provision)

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Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
252.215-7012	Requirements for Submission of Proposals via Electronic Media.	2018-01		

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS VIA ELECTRONIC MEDIA (JAN 2018)

The Offeror shall submit the cost portion of the proposal via the following electronic media: electronic spreadsheet format[Insert media format, e.g., electronic spreadsheet format, electronic mail, etc.]

(End of provision)

Section M - Evaluation Factors for Award

B. BASIS FOR AWARD (Section M)

The source selection for Scientific and Engineering support Services is a competitive, best value trade-off conducted in accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) **Subpart 15.3,** as supplemented by the Defense FAR Supplement (DFARS) **Subpart 215.3.** The Government expects to award approximately one (1) T&M and Cost type contract on a best value trade-off basis between the Technical, Price and Past Performance factors.

The Technical factor is significantly more important than the Price factor, which is equally important to the Past Performance**.** To receive consideration for award, a rating of no less than "Acceptable" must be achieved for the technical factor and past performance factors. The price factor must be determined to be fair and reasonable.

Offerors are cautioned that the award may not necessarily be made to the highest technical rating or lowest price offered and the government reserves the right to make award without conducting discussions.

C. FACTORS TO BE EVALUATED

The following evaluation factors will be used to evaluate each proposal: Award will be made to the offeror whose proposal is most advantageous to the Government based upon an integrated assessment of the evaluation factors described below. The Government reserves the right to make award based upon the Price factor in the event that the Technical and Past Performance evaluation results of all the offerors' proposals are substantially the same.

Award Eligibility: Based on the foregoing, the Government will select for award the proposal(s) determined to be the most advantageous to the Government considering all Section M evaluation factors. Further, prior to award, the offeror(s) must be determined eligible in accordance with the following:

Responsibility: To be eligible for award, apparent awardees must be deemed "responsible" in accordance with FAR Subpart 9.1

Factor 1 Technical (O/G/A/M/U)

Factor 2 Past Performance (A/U)

Factor 3 Price (Fair and Reasonable)

Factor 1: Technical Factor: The overarching evaluation approach will utilize the following rating scheme for the technical factor.

The offerors shall address the factor within its technical proposal. Offerors must receive a rating of acceptable or better.

COMBINED TECHNICAL/RISK RATINGS	
Rating	**Description**
Outstanding	Proposal indicates an exceptional approach and understanding of the requirements and contains multiple strengths, and risk of unsuccessful performance is low.
Good	Proposal indicates a thorough approach and understanding of the requirements and contains at least one strength, and risk of unsuccessful performance is low to moderate.
Acceptable	Proposal meets requirements and indicates an adequate approach and understanding of the requirements. Strengths and weaknesses are offsetting or will have little or no impact on contract performance. Risk of unsuccessful performance is no worse than moderate.
Marginal	Proposal has not demonstrated an adequate approach and understanding of the requirements, and/or risk unsuccessful performance is high.
Unacceptable	Proposal does not meet requirements of the solicitation, and thus, contains one or more deficiencies, and/or risk of unsuccessful performance is unacceptable. Proposal is not awardable.

Definitions:

Strength: an aspect of an offeror's proposal that has merit or exceeds specified performance or capability requirements in a way that will be advantageous to the Government during contract performance.

Weakness: a flaw in the proposal that increases the risk of unsuccessful contract performance. See FAR 15.001.

Significant Weakness: A flaw in the proposal that appreciably increases the risk of unsuccessful contract performance.

Deficiency: a material failure of a proposal to meet a Government requirement or a combination of weaknesses in a proposal that increases the risk of unsuccessful contract performance to an unacceptable level. See FAR 15.001.Risk: as it pertains to source selection, is the potential for unsuccessful contract performance. The consideration of risk assesses the degree to which an offeror's proposed approach to achieving the technical factor or sub-factor may involve risk of disruption of schedule, increased cost or degradation of performance, the need for increased Government oversight, and the likelihood of unsuccessful contract performance.

***Note that a separate "risk rating" will not be assigned as risk of unsuccessful performance is incorporated into the Combined Technical/Risk Rating definitions.**

Factor 2: Past Performance:

The Past Performance factor will be evaluated as acceptable or unacceptable using the Offeror's demonstrated record of recent and relevant experience in providing products/services related to the contract requirements.

Factor3: Price:

The resulting award will be an T&M, FFP and COST No Fee IDIQ. Price reasonableness will be utilized in the evaluation of the T&M rates.

D. EVALUATION APPROACH

All proposals shall be evaluated by the Source Selection Team (SST).

1. The overarching evaluation approach for all factors is as follows:

a. Response. The proposal will be evaluated to determine whether the offeror's methods and approach have completely considered, defined, and satisfy the requirements specified in the RFP.

b. Feasibility of Approach. The proposal will be evaluated to determine the extent to which the proposed approach is workable and the end results achievable. The proposal will be evaluated to determine the extent to which successful performance is contingent upon proven devices and techniques. The proposal will be evaluated to determine the extent to which the offeror is expected to be able to successfully complete the proposed tasks and technical requirements within the required schedule.

The Technical Factor

Step 1. The technical factor will be rated in accordance with Table 1 below.
To be rated as "Acceptable" under the technical factor, the proposal shall clearly address the topics listed in Section L and demonstrate the offeror's understanding of the technical requirements presented in the PWS. The offeror will also submit proposals for the sample task provided which will be evaluated based on criteria from each sample task definition.

Proposals shall be rated according to the table below based on meeting all requirements to receive an acceptable rating. Any strengths given for exceeding requirements will be used to determine the overall technical factor rating.

TABLE 1 - COMBINED TECHNICAL/RISK RATINGS		
Color	**Rating**	**Description**
Blue	Outstanding	Proposal indicates an exceptional approach and understanding of the requirements and contains multiple strengths, and risk of unsuccessful performance is low.
Purple	Good	

		Proposal indicates a thorough approach and understanding of the requirements and contains at least one strength, and risk of unsuccessful performance is low to moderate.
Green	Acceptable	Proposal meets requirements and indicates an adequate approach and understanding of the requirements, and risk of unsuccessful performance is no worse than moderate.
Yellow	Marginal	Proposal has not demonstrated an adequate approach and understanding of the requirements, and /or risk of unsuccessful performance is high.
Red	Unacceptable	Proposal does not meet requirements of the solicitation, and thus, contains one or more deficiencies, and/or risk of unsuccessful performance is unacceptable. Proposal is not awardable.

Step 2. The technical proposal is evaluated and rated based on strength of technical proposals to PWS requirements and rigor of the completed sample task (Attachment 4 Sample Task) ensuring criteria requested within the sample task are addressed.

Price information provided as part of the sample task proposal will only be evaluated as an estimate to determine price realism of proposal and technical understanding of the task. Sample task cost will not be part of the technical or cost factor evaluation.

Past Performance Factor. Each offeror's past performance proposal will be rated as either "Acceptable or Unacceptable" and is based on an assessment of the past performance submitted and the Government's expectation that the offeror will successfully perform the required

effort. This assessment is based on the offeror's record of relevant and recent past performance information that pertain to the product/services described in the solicitation. The Government will evaluate whether the offeror's present/past performance is relevant or not relevant to the services described in the solicitation. The Government will also evaluate how well the offeror performed on the contracts detailed in the offeror's proposal.

The Government will focus its evaluation on the forms and questionnaires provided by the Offeror in its proposal and may consider data obtained from other sources, including data in Government files or data obtained through interviews with personnel familiar with the contractor and their current and past performance Government contracts for same or similar services that are relevant and recent.

Under this factor, the Government may evaluate third party references provided as to each Offerors and major subcontractor's relevant and recent efforts, to verify the probability of successful accomplishment of the required effort. Relevant efforts are defined as services/efforts that are the same as or similar in size and complexity to the portion(s) of the PWS that the prime offeror or applicable major subcontractor is proposed to perform. Recent efforts are defined as those performed during the last five years, from the issue date of this RFQ.

Marginal ratings in CPARS may be considered Unacceptable. Areas where third party reference information will be sought are indicated on the Past Performance Questionnaire attached to this Solicitation. Where a reference indicates that an Offeror's performance was Unacceptable or Marginal in a particular area, the Government will consider any information provided by the Offeror to explain or rebut any Unacceptable or Marginal performance in a particular area. The burden is on the Offeror to identify in its proposal any and all extenuating circumstances which may bear on the Government's evaluation of unfavorable reference information.

For the past performance factor, offerors will be evaluated in accordance with the chart below. This rating considers the assessed quality of the relevant/recent efforts gathered.

TABLE 1 -Past Performance Factor	
Rating	Description

Acceptable	Based on the offeror's performance record, the Government has a reasonable expectation that the offeror will successfully perform the required effort, or the offeror's performance record is unknown. (See note below).
Unacceptable	Based on the offeror's performance record, the Government has a reasonable expectation that the offeror will successfully perform the required effort, or the offeror's performance record is unknown

In the case of an offeror without a record of relevant past performance or for whom information on past performance is not available or so sparse that no meaningful past performance rating can be reasonably assigned, the offeror may not be evaluated favorably or unfavorably on past performance (see FAR 15.305 (a)(2)(iv)). Therefore, the offeror shall be determined to have unknown (or "neutral") past performance. In the context of acceptability/unacceptability, a neutral rating shall be considered "acceptable."

Price Factor. Adjectival ratings shall not be used for offerors' Price proposals. The Government will fully evaluate and negotiate all priced Contract Line Item Numbers (CLINs) for award. For award purposes, the total proposed price for all CLINs will be added together into a total sum (contract value). The evaluation of all option CLINs will not obligate the Government to exercise any option. The Offeror's Cost/Price proposal will be evaluated as follows.

The Price factor will not be evaluated with adjectival ratings but will be evaluated for fair & reasonableness. The total prices submitted for all CLINs (0001) and the unit prices submitted on attachment **B08 Attachment 2 Scientific and Engineering Support_Price_Model 05052026** will be evaluated for fairness and reasonableness.

Part 9 adequate resources: The information submitted IAW FAR 9.104-1(a) will only be assessed for those offerors included in the competitive range. The information will be assessed to determine the offeror's possession of or the ability to obtain adequate financial resources in order to perform a potential contract borne from the solicitation.

Price Analysis: CLINs are T&M, FFP and Cost:

- IAW FAR 15.404-1, the analytical techniques and procedures used in the price analysis will be determined by the Contracting Office;

- IAW FAR 15.404-1(a)(2), price analysis will be used when certified cost or pricing data is not required;

- IAW FAR 15.404-1(b), an offeror's proposed CLIN prices, will be evaluated for price fairness and reasonableness; and

Proposed price will not be adjectively rated. A total price will be evaluated for each Offeror. The total evaluated price will be the summation of Section B, CLINs, in the RFP.

DISCUSSIONS

1. GENERAL INFORMATION. In accordance with FAR 15.306(d), discussion sessions with each offeror may be held. Should discussions take place, all offerors in the competitive range will be allowed a minimum of 5 calendar days to submit Final Proposal Revisions.

2. DISCUSSION SCHEDULING. If discussions are conducted, the Contracting Officer will schedule the discussion sessions, and each offeror will be notified of the time and place at least 2 business days prior to their discussion session. Appropriate security clearances should be provided by the offerors in sufficient time to process the requests. The Contracting Officer will provide additional instructions with the notification. The discussion sessions will take place at a facility of the Government's choosing in the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland area or via teams.

3. AWARD WITHOUT DISCUSSIONS: The Government reserves the right to award without entering into Discussions in accordance with FAR 15.306(a)(3).

*** END OF NARRATIVE ***

FAR Provisions Incorporated by Full Text

Number	Title	Effective Date	Alternate Deviation	Variation Effective Date
52.212-2	Evaluation-Commercial Products and Commercial Services. (Deviation)	2026-02		

Evaluation-Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Feb 2026) (Deviation)

(a) Evaluation factors. The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible Offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. The following factors will be used to evaluate offers:

Technical

Cost/Price

Past Performance

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(b) *Options (if applicable)*. The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. The Government may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the option prices are significantly unbalanced. The evaluation of options does not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

(c) *Notice of award*. A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer furnished to the successful Offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the offer's specified expiration time, the Government may accept an offer (or part of an offer), whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

(End of provision)