DLA Troop Support Subsistence

Justification and Approval (J&A) for Brand Name or Equal Requirement

1. Defense Logistics Agency ("DLA") Troop Support, Subsistence Supply Chain, is the contracting activity.

2. This approval provides the required justification to use "Brand Name or Equal" descriptions for items being solicited competitively.

3. FAR Overhaul 6.103-1(d), provides that "Except as authorized at 6.103-5, use of brand-name descriptions, or specification of attributes peculiar to one manufacturer, prevents full and open competition and should only be used when justified and approved according to 6.104. This does not apply to "brand name or equal" descriptions as they provide for full and open competition." However, Section 888(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Pub. L. 114-328), as implemented by DFARS 206.103-170(c), requires this Justification and Approval in order to use brand name or equal descriptions.

4. This acquisition will be issued as a Request for Quotations (RFQ) for certain supplies required to meet DLA's needs. The following items are required as Brand Name or Equal:

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Items	Make	Model	Quantity
Cold Food Well Unit, Drop-In, Refrigerated	Randell	RCP-5	[redacted]
Buffet/Cafeteria, Food Shield	BSI	ZG9930-LIGHT	[redacted]
Rack Dispensers	Lakeside	977	[redacted]
Induction Rethermalizer, Built-In/Drop-In	Vollarath	741101D	[redacted]
Buffet/Cafeteria, Sneeze Guard	BSI	ZG9930_LIGHT	[redacted]
Cold Food Well Unit, Drop-In, Refrigerated	Randell	RCP-4	[redacted]
Cold Food Well Unit, Drop-In, Refrigerated	Randell	RCP-4	[redacted]
Buffet/Cafeteria, Food Shield	BSI	ZG9930-2 W/LIGHTS	[redacted]
Buffet/Cafeteria, Food Shield	BSI	ZG9930-2 W/LIGHTS	[redacted]
Display Merchandiser, Heated, For Multi-Product	Hatco	GR2SDH-36D	[redacted]
Display Merchandiser, Heated, For Multi-Product	Hatco	GR2SDH-36D	[redacted]
Roll-Thru Heated Cabinet	Traulsen	RIH232LP-FHS	[redacted]
Roll-Thru Refrigerator	Traulsen	RRI232LPUT-FHS	[redacted]
Combi Oven, Gas	Alto-Shaam	20-20G CLASSIC	[redacted]

Further, the awardee will be required to meet installation requirements that include the installation of the new items as well as removal and disposal of any replaced items. [redacted]

5. The Brand Name or Equal Equipment is required [redacted] This applies to all items under this acquisition.

6. The items being procured are publicly available commercial items, a portion of this acquisition is being issued as brand name or equal in an effort to solicit from as many sources as is practicable by allowing the consideration of alternate “or equal” items.

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7. As the contracting officer, I hereby determine that the anticipated cost to the Government will be fair and reasonable, [redacted]

8. [redacted]

9. [redacted]

10. [redacted]

11. This acquisition employs a tailored strategy to ensure competition is sought to the maximum extent practicable for the different requirements. For the items identified as “brand name or equal,” the solicitation will encourage competition by allowing for the submission of alternate products. To ensure these alternates meet the Government’s minimum needs, any submitted technical data packages will be forwarded to the customer for a determination of acceptability.

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12. As the contracting officer, I hereby certify that this justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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