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SUBJECT: 182-DAY SPECIAL TIME CHARTER

1. THIS IS MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED BY THE STRATEGIC SEALIFT PROGRAM OFFICE OF MSC. IT IS A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ONLY AND YOUR RESPONSE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED AN OFFER. THIS REQUEST FOR INFORMATION DOES NOT COMMIT THE GOVERNMENT TO PAY ANY COSTS INCURRED IN THE PREPARATION OR SUBMISSION TO THIS SOURCES SOUGHT NOTICE OR TO CONTRACT FOR SERVICES.

2. MSC REQUESTS INFORMATION ABOUT THE PRICE AND AVAILABILITY OF A JONES ACT QUALIFIED, U.S. FLAG, SELF-SUSTAINING, VESSEL OF OPPORTUNITY (VOO) TO PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR SUBMARINE SEA TRIALS, GENERAL-PURPOSE DIVING AND SALVAGE OPERATIONS IN COASTAL AND DEEP OCEAN AREAS INCLUDING NAVY UNIQUE DEEP OCEAN SALVAGE OPERATIONS. VESSEL MUST BE CAPABLE OF INSTALLING THE NATO SUBMARINE RESCUE SYSTEM (NSRS) AND SUBMARINE RESCUE DIVING RECOMPRESSION SYSTEM WITH TRANSFER UNDER PRESSURE (SRDRS-TUP) SYSTEM IN SUPPORT OF SUBMARINE RESCUE. **NOTE: ONLY ONE SYSTEM WILL BE INSTALLED AT A TIME, BUT VESSEL MUST BE ABLE TO INSTALL EITHER BASED ON AVAILABILITY. THE VESSEL WILL OPERATE ALONG THE EAST COAST OF THE U.S. AND ATLANTIC OCEAN. VESSEL SHALL BE CREWED WITH U.S. CITIZENS.

3. SCOPE OF WORK: THE SHIP SHOULD BE CAPABLE OF SUPPORTING SUBMARINE SEA TRIALS, GENERAL-PURPOSE DIVING AND SALVAGE OPERATIONS IN COASTAL AND DEEP OCEAN AREAS INCLUDING NAVY UNIQUE DEEP OCEAN SALVAGE OPERATIONS. THIS WOULD INCLUDE THINGS LIKE:

A. CONDUCT MANNED AND REMOTELY OPERATED VEHICLE DIVING OPERATIONS INCLUDING SATURATION DIVING
B. CONDUCT SALVAGE/SURVEY ASSESSMENT
C. SALVAGE GROUNDED/STRANDED VESSELS AND CRAFT
D. LIFT SUNKEN OBJECTS WITH THE INSTALLATION OF A MOBILE CRANE
E. CONDUCT UNDERWATER REPAIRS

4. VESSEL REQUIREMENTS:

A. JONES ACT QUALIFIED AND U.S. FLAG VESSEL
B. CRANE: AN INSTALLED AND CERTIFIED CRANE IS DESIRED (PLEASE PROVIDE SPECIFICATIONS IF VESSEL IS EQUIPPED)
C. DECK SPACE: MINIMUM 6,000 SQUARE FEET (THE AFT WORKING DECK SHOULD BE OPEN, CONTINUOUS, RECTANGULAR AREA WITH A MINIMUM LENGTH OF 35 METERS AND A MINIMUM WIDTH OF 12.8 METERS WITH A CLEAR OPENING ON THE STERN OF 11 METERS AT THE DECK LEVEL. THE AFT WORKING DECK SHALL BE CLEAR OF ALL EQUIPMENT AND DECK PROTRUSIONS TALLER THAN 50.8 MM (2 IN). THE DECKING AREA TO BE USED FOR NSRS INSTALLATION SHALL BE STEEL THAT IS FLAT, CLEAR OF OBSTRUCTIONS AND READY FOR WELDING.
D. STATION KEEPING: DP-2 OR EQUIVALENT (INDUSTRY STANDARD)
E. FIRE FIGHTING: FIFI-1

F. ACCOMMODATIONS: PERMANENT ACCOMMODATIONS FOR UP TO 31 MISSION SUPPORT PERSONNEL
G. COMMUNICATIONS: BROADBAND INTERNET (MINIMUM OF 1MB BI-DIRECTIONAL), TELEPHONE AND TYPICAL COMMERCIAL MARITIME COMMUNICATIONS.

5. AREA OF OPERATIONS: VESSEL WILL BE HOMEPORTED IN NORFOLK, VIRGINIA. BERTH WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENT. OPERATIONS WILL OCCUR ALONG THE EAST/GULF COAST OF THE UNITED STATES AND NORTH ATLANTIC OCEAN.

6. ABOUT 182 DAYS

7. LAYDAYS: 20 AUGUST 2026

8. FUEL CONSUMPTION RATES IN METRIC TONS (BOTH UNDERWAY AND INPORT WORKING).

9. INTERESTED PARTIES ARE REQUESTED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

A. NAME AND COMPLETE DESCRIPTION/CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROPOSED VESSEL INCLUDING COI, PHOTOS, VESSEL SPECIFICATION SHEET;
B. SUBMIT A COPY OF THE MOSHIP SURVEY CHECKLIST FOUND IN APPENDIX "D" OF THE MOTHER SHIP (MOSHIP) CRITERIA MANUAL FOR U.S. NAVY SUBMARINE RESCUE, (REV E)., WHICH IS INCLUDED IN THIS POSTING AS AN ATTACHMENT;
C. PROVIDE DETAILS OF PREVIOUS URC CERTIFICATION AND SRDRS CHARTER (IF APPLICABLE);
D. DAILY CHARTER RATE;
E. NAME OF COMPANY; POINT OF CONTACT, TELEPHONE NUMBER, FAX NUMBER, ADDRESS, AND E- MAIL ADDRESS;
F. BUSINESS SIZE STATUS;
G. BRIEF SUMMARY OF COMPANY HISTORY RELATIVE TO SIMILAR REQUIREMENTS;
H. ANY PERTINENT QUESTIONS/CONCERNS; AND
I. PLEASE CONFIRM THAT COMPANY HAS AN ACTIVE FACILITY CLEARANCE AT THE SECRET LEVEL BUSINESS SIZE.

10. THE FEDERAL ACQUISTION REGULATION 19.102 ESTABLISHES THE SMALL BUSINESS SIZE STANDARD FOR THIS TYPE OF WATER TRANSPORTATION SERVICE AS NAICS "483111" WITH A SMALL BUSINESS SIZE LIMITATION OF 1,050 EMPLOYEES. PLEASE INDICATE IF BUSINESS IS A SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN.

11. RESPONSES ARE REQUESTED VIA EMAIL PRIOR TO, 14 JULY 2026, AT 1100 EASTERN TIME. THE POINT OF CONTACT IS MATTHEW R. PRICE, EMAIL MATTHEW.R.PRICE40.CIV@US.NAVY.MIL AND PHONE (564) 230-3782

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