Diesel Engine Emissions Testing
Solicitation Number: 140D0426Q0463

PART 1 – GENERAL

This requirement is being issued by the Department of the Interior (DOI), Interior Business Center (IBC), Acquisition Services Directorate (AQD) on behalf of the Department of Defense (DoD), U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command (ATEC), Aberdeen Test Center (ATC).

This is a combined synopsis/solicitation for commercial products or commercial services prepared in accordance with FAR Part 12 Acquisition of Commercial Products and Commercial Services. This announcement constitutes the only solicitation. Offers are being requested and a separate written solicitation will not be issued.

Solicitation number 140D0426Q0463 is issued as a Request for Quotation (RFQ) for Emissions Testing on five Detroit Diesel non-emergency engines to demonstrate compliance with carbon monoxide and oxygen/carbon dioxide emission limits.

This acquisition is set-aside for small business concerns. This solicitation incorporates provisions and clauses by reference. The full text of provisions and clauses may be accessed electronically at www.acquisition.gov.

The Government will award a Firm Fixed Price (FFP) Purchase Order.

NAICS: 541380 – Testing Laboratories and Services with a size standard of $19.0M
Product Service Code – H228, EQ Test Svcs/Engines & Turbines

The following is the associated contract line item (CLIN) number:

CLIN 00010: Firm-Fixed Price (FFP) – Emissions Testing for five Detroit diesel non-emergency engines inclusive of the LWE Engine Compliance Test draft protocol and test report.

PART 2 – PERFORMANCE WORK STATEMENT (PWS)

Background: The US Army, Aberdeen Test Center has a test structure known as the Littoral Warfare Environment (LWE) that uses a wave machine to create large waves to simulate a littoral environment. The machine is composed of five stationary diesel engines, that per Maryland Code of Federal Regulations, are required to be emissions tested every three years to ensure they still are within emissions standards for carbon monoxide and oxygen/carbon dioxide.

Scope of Work: This requirement is for the emissions testing on five Detroit Diesel non-emergency engines (LWE-01 thru LWE-05; MDE Registration No. 025-0081-9-0436) at the US Army ATC located at Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG), Maryland. The purpose of testing is to demonstrate compliance with carbon monoxide and oxygen/carbon dioxide emission limits.

Contractor is responsible for creating the LWE Engine compliance test draft protocol and sending it to Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) for approval in time to meet the test deadline.

Setup and pre-test checks are required, as well as three 15-minute test runs that would be conducted on each engine while being operated at maximum achievable load. Contractor must then generate a report with the summary of results for submittal to MDE and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

This emission test requirement is specified in the 40 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR), Part 63, Subpart ZZZZ regulation. The Contractor conducting the emission testing will ensure they have all required certifications per MDE as well as have all test equipment calibrated per requirements.

Any requirements such as having a generator present at the site should be annotated in the offer so that the customer is prepared when the Contractor arrives to test.

The test report must be provided to APG within 21 days of the testing date in order for APG to review and send to MDE by the required 60 days from the test event.

Testing must be conducted by 14 December 2026 in order to maintain compliance.

This is a one-time requirement as the test only needs to be performed every three years.

PART 3 – CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

Place of Performance: The required services will be performed at:

Aberdeen Test Center
6867 Colleran Road
Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD 21005

Technical Point of Contact:

Larry Birchfield, US Army ATEC Aberdeen Test Center, Email: larry.d.birchfield.civ@army.mil

Contracting Officer: Rachael Davis, rldavis@ibc.doi.gov

Period of Performance: 08/01/2026 – 12/14/2026

PART 4 – CLAUSES

All Offerors must comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), Department of Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS), Department of the Interior Acquisition Regulation (DIAR), and Acquisition Services Directorate (AQD) provisions and clauses which apply to this acquisition:

FAR 52.252-2 Clauses Incorporated by Reference. (FEB 1998)
This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this address: https://www.acquisiton.gov/

FAR Clause	Title	Date
52.203-19	Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements	Jan 2017

52.204-13	System for Award Management Maintenance	Deviation 03/31/2026
52.209-10	Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations	Deviation 05/18/2026
52.212-4	Contract Terms and Conditions – Commercial Products and Commercial Services	Deviation 03/31/2026
52.222-3	Convict Labor	Deviation 05/04/2026
52.222-19	Child Labor-Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies	Deviation 05/04/2026
52.222-50	Combating Trafficking in Persons	Deviation 05/04/2026
52.222-90	Addressing DEI Discrimination by Federal Contractors	Deviation 05/04/2026
52.223-23	Sustainable Products and Services	Deviation 05/18/2026
52.226-8	Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving	Deviation 03/31/2026
52.232-33	Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management	Oct 2018
52.232-40	Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors	Mar 2023
52.233-3	Protest After Award	Aug 1996
52.233-4	Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim	Oct 2004
52.240-91	Security Prohibitions and Exclusions	Deviation 03/31/2026
52.244-6	Subcontracts for Commercial Products and Commercial Services	Deviation 05/18/2026
DFARS Clause	**Title**	**Date**
252.201-7000	Contracting Officer's Representative	(Dec 1991)
252.203-7000	Requirements Relating to Compensation of Former DoD Officials	(Sep 2011)
252.203-7002	Requirement to Inform Employees of Whistleblower Rights	(Dec 2022)
252.204-7012	Safeguarding Covered Defense Information and Cyber Incident Reporting	(May 2024)
252.204-7018	Prohibition on the Acquisition of Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services	(Jan 2023)
252.204-7020	NIST SP 800-171 DoD Assessments Requirements	(Nov 2023)
252.205-7000	Provision of Information to Cooperative Agreement Holders	(Jun 2023)
252.225-7001	Buy American and Balance of Payments Program – Basic	(Feb 2024)
252.225-7012	Preference for Certain Domestic Commodities	(Apr 2022)
252.225-7048	Export-Controlled Items	(Jun 2013)
252.232-7003	Electronic Submission of Payment Requests and Receiving Reports	(Dec 2018)
252.232-7010	Levies on Contract Payments	(Dec 2006)
252.243-7001	Pricing of Contract Modifications	(Dec 1991)
252.244-7000	Subcontracts for Commercial Items	(Nov 2023)
252.247-7023	Transportation of Supplies by Sea	(Jan 2023)

Clauses Incorporated by Full Text

Local Clauses

Electronic Invoicing and Payment Requirements – Invoice Processing Platform (IPP) (February 2021)

Payment requests must be submitted electronically through the U. S. Department of the Treasury's Invoice Processing Platform System (IPP).

"Payment request" means any request for contract financing payment or invoice payment by the Contractor. To constitute a proper invoice, the payment request must comply with the requirements identified in the applicable Prompt Payment clause included in the contract, or the clause 52.212-4 Contract Terms and Conditions – Commercial Items included in commercial item contracts. The IPP website address is: https://www.ipp.gov.

Under this contract, the following documents are required to be submitted as an attachment to the IPP invoice:

1. Description of deliverable
2. Quantity & Price of deliverable
3. Date deliverable was provided to the Government for inspection

The Contractor must use the IPP website to register, access and use IPP for submitting requests for payment. The Contractor Government Business Point of Contact (as listed in SAM) will receive enrollment instructions via email from the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (FRBSTL) within 3 – 5 business days of the contract award date. Contractor assistance with enrollment can be obtained by contacting the IPP Production Helpdesk via email IPPCustomerSupport@fiscal.treasury.gov or phone (866) 973-3131.

If the Contractor is unable to comply with the requirement to use IPP for submitting invoices for payment, the Contractor must submit a waiver request in writing to the Contracting Officer with its proposal or quotation.

(End of Local Clause)

Notice to Contractors – Contractor Performance Assessment Reporting System

a) FAR 42.1502 directs all Federal agencies to collect past performance information on contracts. The Department of the Interior (DOI) has implemented the Contractor Performance Assessment Reporting System (CPARS) to comply with this regulation. One or more past performance evaluations will be conducted in order to record your contract performance as required by FAR 42.15.

b) The past performance evaluation process is a totally paperless process using CPARS. CPARS is a web-based system that allows for electronic processing of the performance evaluation report. Once the report is processed, it is available for Government use in evaluating past performance as part of a source selection action.

c) We request that you furnish the Contracting Officer (CO) with the name, position title, phone number, and email address for each person designated to have access to your firm's past performance evaluation(s) for the contract no later than 30 days after award. Each person granted access will have the ability to provide comments in the Contractor portion of the report and state whether or not the Contractor agrees with the evaluation, before returning the report to the Assessing Official (AO). Information in the report must be protected as source selection sensitive information not releasable to the public.

d) When your Contractor Representative(s) are registered in CPARS, they will receive an automatically generated email with detailed login instructions. Further details, systems requirements, and training information for CPARS is available at https://www.cpars.gov/.

e) Within 60 days after the end of a performance period, the AO will complete an interim or final past performance evaluation, and the report will be accessible at https://www.cpars.gov/.

1) Contractor Representatives may then provide comments in response to the evaluation or return the evaluation without comment.
2) Your comments should focus on objective facts in the AO's narrative and should provide your views on the causes and ramifications of the assessed performance.
3) All information provided should be reviewed for accuracy prior to submission.
4) If you elect not to provide comments, please acknowledge receipt of the evaluation by indicating "No comment" in the space provided, and then selecting "Accept the Ratings and Close the Evaluation".
5) Your response is due within 60 calendar days after receipt of the CPAR. On day 15, the evaluation will become available in CPARS marked as "Pending" with or without comments and whether or not it has been closed.
6) If you do not sign and submit the CPAR within 60 days, it will automatically be returned to the Government and will be annotated: "The report was delivered/received by the contractor on (date). The contractor neither signed nor offered comment in response to this assessment."

f) The following guidelines apply concerning your use of the past performance evaluation:

1) Protect the evaluation as source selection information. After review, transmit the evaluation by completing and submitting the form through CPARS. If for some reason you are unable to view and/or submit the form through CPARS, contact the CO for instructions.
2) Strictly control access to the evaluation within your organization. Ensure the evaluation is never released to persons or entities outside of your control.
3) Prohibit the use of or reference to evaluation data for advertising, promotional material, pre-award surveys, responsibility determinations, production readiness reviews, or other similar purposes.

g) If you wish to discuss a past performance evaluation, you should request a meeting in writing to the CO no later than seven days following your receipt of the evaluation. The meeting will be held in person or via telephone or other means during your 60-day review period.

h) A copy of the completed past performance evaluation will be available in CPARS for your viewing and for Government use supporting source selection actions after it has been finalized.

(End of Local Clause)

DIAR Clauses:

1452.201-70 Authorities and Delegations (SEP 2011)

(a) The Contracting Officer is the only individual authorized to enter into or terminate this contract, modify any term or condition of this contract, waive any requirement of this contract, or accept nonconforming work.

(b) The Contracting Officer will designate a Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) at time of award. The COR will be responsible for technical monitoring of the contractor's performance and deliveries. The COR will be appointed in writing, and a copy of the appointment will be furnished to the

Contractor. Changes to this delegation will be made by written changes to the existing appointment or by issuance of a new appointment.

(c) The COR is not authorized to perform, formally or informally, any of the following actions:

(1) Promise, award, agree to award, or execute any contract, contract modification, or notice of intent that changes or may change this contract;

(2) Waive or agree to modification of the delivery schedule;

(3) Make any final decision on any contract matter subject to the Disputes Clause;

(4) Terminate, for any reason, the Contractor's right to proceed;

(5) Obligate in any way, the payment of money by the Government.

(d) The Contractor shall comply with the written or oral direction of the Contracting Officer or authorized representative(s) acting within the scope and authority of the appointment memorandum. The Contractor need not proceed with direction that it considers to have been issued without proper authority. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing, with as much detail as possible, when the COR has taken an action or has issued direction (written or oral) that the Contractor considers to exceed the COR's appointment, within 3 days of the occurrence. Unless otherwise provided in this contract, the Contractor assumes all costs, risks, liabilities, and consequences of performing any work it is directed to perform that falls within any of the categories defined in paragraph (c) prior to receipt of the Contracting Officer's response issued under paragraph (e) of this clause.

(e) The Contracting Officer shall respond in writing within 30 days to any notice made under paragraph (d) of this clause. A failure of the parties to agree upon the nature of a direction, or upon the contract action to be taken with respect thereto, shall be subject to the provisions of the Disputes clause of this contract.

(f) The Contractor shall provide copies of all correspondence to the Contracting Officer and the COR.

(g) Any action(s) taken by the Contractor, in response to any direction given by any person acting on behalf of the Government or any Government official other than the Contracting Officer or the COR acting within his or her appointment, shall be at the Contractor's risk.

(End of clause)

PART 5 – ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Quality Assurance Surveillance Plan (QASP)
Attachment 2 – Wage Determination 2015-4265 Rev 33, 05/13/2026

PART 6 – PROVISIONS

FAR 52.252-1 Solicitation Provisions Incorporated by Reference (Feb 1998)
This solicitation incorporates one or more provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a provision may be accessed electronically at this address: https://www.acquisition.gov/browse/index/far.

The following FAR and DFARS provisions are hereby incorporated by reference:

FAR Provisions	Title	Date
52.204-7	System for Award Management	Deviation 03/31/2026
52.212-1	Instructions to Offerors – Commercial Products and Commercial Services	Deviation 03/31/2026

DFARS Provisions	Title	Date
252.203-7005	Representation Relating to Compensation of Former DoD Officials	(Sep 2022)
252.204-7016	Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services – Representation	(Dec 2019)
252.204-7017	Prohibition on the Acquisition of Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services- Representation	(May 2021)
252.204-7019	Notice of NIST SP 800-171 DoD Assessment Reports	(Nov 2023)
252.215-7013	Supplies and Services Provided by Nontraditional Defense Contractors	(Jan 2023)

Provisions Incorporated by Full Text

DIAR 1452.215-71 Use and Disclosure of Proposal Information—Department of the Interior (APR 1984)

(a) Definitions. For the purposes of this provision and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552), the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below:

(1) "Trade Secret" means an unpatented, secret, commercially valuable plan, appliance, formula, or process, which is used for making, preparing, compounding, treating or processing articles or materials which are trade commodities.
(2) "Confidential commercial or financial information" means any business information (other than trade secrets) which is exempt from the mandatory disclosure requirement of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552. Exemptions from mandatory disclosure which may be applicable to business information contained in proposals include exemption (4), which covers "commercial and financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential," and exemption (9), which covers "geological and geophysical information, including maps, concerning wells."

(b) If the offeror, or its subcontractor(s), believes that the proposal contains trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, (5 U.S.C. 552), the cover page of each copy of the proposal shall be marked with the following legend:
"The information specifically identified on pages _____of this proposal constitutes trade secrets or confidential commercial and financial information which the offeror believes to be exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act. The offeror requests that this information not be disclosed to the public, except as may be required by law. The offeror also requests that this information not be used in whole or part by the government for any purpose other than to evaluate the proposal, except that if a contract is awarded to the offeror as a result of or in connection with the submission of the proposal, the Government shall have the right to use the information to the extent provided in the contract."

(c) The offeror shall also specifically identify trade secret information and confidential commercial and financial information on the pages of the proposal on which it appears and shall mark each such page with the following legend:
"This page contains trade secrets or confidential commercial and financial information which the offeror believes to be exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act and which is subject to the legend contained on the cover page of this proposal."

(d) Information in a proposal identified by an offeror as trade secret information or confidential

commercial and financial information shall be used by the Government only for the purpose of evaluating the proposal, except that (i) if a contract is awarded to the offeror as a result of or in connection with submission of the proposal, the Government shall have the right to use the information as provided in the contract, and (ii) if the same information is obtained from another source without restriction it may be used without restriction.

(e) If a request under the Freedom of Information Act seeks access to information in a proposal identified as trade secret information or confidential commercial and financial information, full consideration will be given to the offeror's view that the information constitutes trade secrets or confidential commercial or financial information. The offeror will also be promptly notified of the request and given an opportunity to provide additional evidence and argument in support of its position, unless administratively unfeasible to do so. If it is determined that information claimed by the offeror to be trade secret information or confidential commercial or financial information is not exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, the offeror will be notified of this determination prior to disclosure of the information.

(f) The Government assumes no liability for the disclosure or use of information contained in a proposal if not marked in accordance with paragraphs (b) and (c) of this provision. If a request under the Freedom of Information Act is made for information in a proposal not marked in accordance with paragraphs (b) and (c) of this provision, the offeror concerned shall be promptly notified of the request and given an opportunity to provide its position to the Government. However, failure of an offeror to mark information contained in a proposal as trade secret information or confidential commercial or financial information will be treated by the Government as evidence that the information is not exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, absent a showing that the failure to mark was due to unusual or extenuating circumstances, such as a showing that the offeror had intended to mark, but that markings were omitted from the offeror's proposal due to clerical error.

(End of provision)

Addendum to FAR Provision 52.212-1 – Instructions to Offerors—Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Deviation 03/31/2026)

Offer Preparation Instructions:

The Government is not liable for any costs incurred by the offeror for the preparation and submission of the offer in response to this opportunity.

Questions to the RFQ are due via email directly to the Contracting Officer at: rldavis@ibc.doi.gov no later than 5 June 2026, at 11:00 AM EST.

Responses to this RFQ are due via email directly to the Contracting Officer at: rldavis@ibc.doi.gov no later than 12 June 2026, at 11:00 AM EST.

Offers submitted in response to RFQ No. 140D0426Q0463 must be formatted in accordance with all directions and details stated herein.

Section	Title	Instructional Information
1	General Information	See Section 1 below
2	Price	See Section 2 below

Section 1: General Information

Submission of offers. Submit signed and dated offers to the Contracting Officer specified in this solicitation at or before the exact time specified in this solicitation. As a minimum, offers must include—

- RFQ number;
- The name, address, and telephone number of the Offeror;
- Offeror's Unique Entity ID;
- A statement specifying how the offeror proposes to meet the Government's requirements;
- Acknowledgement of all amendments to the RFQ;
- Information necessary to evaluate the factors contained in the provision at 52.212-2 or as described in the solicitation;
- Responses to provisions that require Offeror completion of information, representations, and certifications (other than those collected via the System for Award Management (SAM)); and
- A statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation and any solicitation amendments.

Technical Understanding: The offeror must submit a written approach that demonstrates an understanding of the objectives of the PWS and specific tasks, and planned execution of the project. The written approach should demonstrate any logistics, schedule, or any other miscellaneous issues of which the Government should be aware.

Technical Assumptions (if applicable): Offerors must submit all (if any) assumptions, conditions, or exceptions with any of the contractual, technical, and/or cost/price terms and conditions of this RFQ. If not noted in this section of your quote, it will be assumed that the offeror proposes no assumptions for award and agrees to comply with all of the terms and conditions as set forth herein. It is not the responsibility of the Government to seek out and identify assumptions, conditions, or exceptions buried within the offeror's submission.

Section 2: Price

The offeror must submit a Firm-Fixed Price offer in PDF format, which summarizes the proposed price. This statement may go into detail on any explanations that the offeror wishes to provide on their proposed price overall or specific information to help the Government understand the submission.

Period for acceptance of offers. The Offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for 60 calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers, unless another time period is specified in an addendum to the solicitation.

Late submissions, modifications, revisions, and withdrawals of offers.
Offerors are responsible for submitting offers and any modifications or revisions to the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation.

Any offer, modification, or revision received after the time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made and the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition. However, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer that makes its terms more favorable to the Government will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that offers cannot be

received at the Government office designated for receipt of offers by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.

Offerors may withdraw their offers by written notice to the Government received at any time before award.

Contract award. The Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract without discussions with Offerors. Therefore, the Offeror's initial offer should contain the Offeror's best terms. However, the Government reserves the right to conduct discussions, if necessary. The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the public interest, accept other than the lowest offer, and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received.

Debriefings. If a post award debriefing is given to requesting Offerors, the Government will disclose the following information, if applicable:

- The agency's evaluation of the significant weak or deficient factors in the debriefed Offeror's offer.
- The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful Offeror and the debriefed Offeror and past performance information on the debriefed Offeror.
- The overall ranking of all Offerors when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection.
- A summary of the rationale for award.
- For acquisitions of commercial products, the make and model of the product to be delivered by the successful Offeror.
- Reasonable responses to relevant questions posed by the debriefed Offeror as to whether the agency followed source-selection procedures set forth in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities.

(End of provision)

52.212-2 Evaluation – Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Deviation 03/31/2026)

(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:

In accordance with RFO 12.203 Evaluation, the Government will use technical capability, past performance, and price as evaluation factors for this award.

(1) Technical Capability will be evaluated based on how well the proposed services meet the Government's requirement.

(2) Past performance will be evaluated by reviewing performance data from Government sources such as CPARS and FAPIIS.

(3) Price will be evaluated for price reasonableness based on comparison of competitive offers received.

(b) *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)