United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM)

<u>Sources Sought Notice</u>

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Notice Type: Sources Sought / Request for Information (RFI)

Title: Everfox Cross Domain Solutions (CDS) Hardware and Management Support

Response Due Date: 15 July 1600PM

Issued By: HQ USSOCOM

1. PURPOSE

This is a Sources Sought Notice for market research purposes only. This is NOT a Request for Proposal (RFP), Request for Quote (RFQ), or Invitation for Bid (IFB). No solicitation is being issued at this time, and this notice shall not be construed as a commitment by the Government to issue a solicitation, nor does it restrict the Government to a particular acquisition approach.

HQUSSOCOM is conducting market research to identify qualified sources, particularly small businesses (including 8(a), HUBZone, Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned, and Women-Owned small businesses), that are capable of providing the specific brand name hardware, software, and associated services detailed below.

2. BACKGROUND AND REQUIREMENT

The Government has a requirement to acquire and deploy secure cross-domain transfer capabilities to support mission-critical network environments. To maintain absolute compatibility, interoperability, and security compliance with existing cyber security infrastructure, the Government requires specific brand name products from the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) **Everfox** (formerly Forcepoint Federal).

The government requires the following specific brand name hardware, software, and licensing bundles:

- **Everfox High Speed Guard (HSG) Generation 5 Hardware Bundles**
    - *Description:* High-performance cross domain guard hardware, including required platform software and baseline security policies.
- **Everfox Control Center Management Servers**
    - *Description:* Centralized administration and management servers for CDS appliance monitoring, configuration, and policy orchestration.
- **Everfox One-Way Transfer Data Diodes**

- *Description:* Hardware-enforced one-way data transfer appliances to secure network segmentation boundaries.

Note: The Government is seeking authorized resellers capable of providing the exact OEM products listed above. Substantial equivalents or "or-equal" items are not being considered at this time due to strict cross-domain accreditation and system interoperability requirements.

3. CAPABILITY STATEMENT REQUIREMENTS

Interested vendors capable of providing the required brand name products are requested to submit a Capability Statement. To effectively evaluate market availability, competitive viability, and potential contract vehicle pathways, responses must include the following information:

1. **Company Profile:**
    - Company Name and Address
    - Point of Contact (Name, Title, Email, Phone Number)
    - UEI Number and CAGE Code
2. **Socio-Economic Status:**
    - Identify your business size standard for NAICS code **541519** (Other Computer Related Services - Information Technology Value Added Resellers - 150 Employee Size Standard) or alternative suggested NAICS.
    - List any applicable socio-economic designations (e.g., Small Business, 8(a), SDVOSB, WOSB, HUBZone).
3. **Contract Vehicles:**
    - Identify any Government-Wide Acquisition Contracts (GWACs), Multiple Award Schedules (MAS), or Agency-Specific Contracts (e.g., GSA MAS, NASA SEWP V/VI, NIH CIO-CS) your company holds that include the required Everfox products. Please provide the specific contract number(s).
4. **OEM Partnership / Authorized Reseller Status:**
    - Provide explicit proof or documentation demonstrating that your company is a current, authorized reseller in good standing with **Everfox**.
    - *Important:* Indicate whether you are capable of securing independent, competitive pricing directly from the OEM for this requirement, or if pricing is

subject to exclusive OEM deal-registration restrictions that may preclude you from offering competitive quotes on this specific effort.

4. SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Responses to this Sources Sought must be submitted via email to Kristen Colyer, Contracting Officer at kristen.colyer@socom.mil NLT 15 July 1600

- Please include **"Sources Sought Response: Everfox CDS Hardware"** in the email subject line.
- Capability statements should be limited to no more than 3 pages.

5. DISCLAIMER

Respondents are advised that the Government will not pay for any information or administrative costs incurred in response to this Sources Sought. All costs associated with responding to this notice will be solely at the responding party's expense. Information received will be considered solely for the purpose of determining whether to conduct a competitive procurement and to determine the appropriate small business set-aside strategy.