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Notice of Intent to Sole Source
The Executive Office of the President
U.S. Trade Representative
Clarkson Research Services Limited UEI: W94PNK61J8E8
Subscription Services

Agency Contact Information:
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Proposed Action:
The Government intends to negotiate on a sole source basis, a firm-fixed-price (FFP) acquisition with Clarkson Research Services Limited for subscription services for access to data, analysis, and market forecasts contained in Clarkson Research Shipping Intelligence Network and the World Fleet Register. This non-competitive action is being issued by the Acquisition Services Directorate on the behalf of the Executive Office of the President, U.S. Trade Representative.

Place of Performance:
Contractor Facilities.

Description of Requirement:
The EOP, USTR seeks Clarkson Research Services Limited portal subscription services to provide the data, analysis, and forecasts needed to conduct research on the maritime, logistics and shipbuilding industries, and including specific information on China's shipbuilding and supporting industries. The subscription services will also provide data, analysis, and market forecasts contained in Shipping Intelligence Network and World Fleet Register (databases owned by Clarkson Research Services Limited).

Response Information:
This action is being processed in accordance with FAR 13.5. No other organization besides Clarkson Research Services Limited is known to provide the required data that is within the Shipping Intelligence Network and World Fleet Register. However, interested parties may identify their interest and capabilities regarding this requirement by submitting a capabilities statement by the date specified herein.

A 12-month base period and four 12-month option periods are anticipated for this effort. The Government will consider all capabilities statements received by 10:00 A.M. ET, Wednesday, August 26, 2026. Please be advised that it is the offeror's responsibility to ensure the Government receives your submission on or before the specified due date. Submissions shall be sent electronically to L. Christin3e Schickler, Contracting Officer at Lydia_Schickler@ibc.doi.gov. Submissions shall not exceed ten pages. Paper copies will not be accepted. Late responses will only be accepted if they contain extraordinary value to the Government. Submissions should be in a Microsoft Office compatible format (i.e., Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, Excel, etc.) or Adobe Acrobat and not contain text smaller than 11-point font. The maximum file size of the submission shall not exceed 8 MB. Tables, graphs, etc. will count against the

total page count. Font size smaller than 11 may be used to label tables and graphs but may not be smaller than 8-point font.

All data received in response to this Special Notice that are marked or designated as corporate or proprietary information will be fully protected from release outside the Evaluation Panel. Proprietary information and trade secrets, if any, must be clearly marked on all materials. All information received that is marked Proprietary will be handled accordingly. Please be advised that all submissions become Government property and will not be returned. All Government and contractor personnel reviewing responses will have signed non-disclosure agreements and understand their responsibility for proper use and protection from unauthorized disclosure of proprietary information as described in 41 USC 423. The Government shall not be held liable for any damages incurred if proprietary information is not properly identified. Responders are advised that the Government will not reimburse for any information or administrative costs incurred in response to this Special Notice; all costs associated with responding to this Special Notice will be solely at the interested parties' expense.

This is NOT a request for competitive quotes. A determination by the Government not to compete this proposed action based upon responses to this announcement is solely within the discretion of the Government. Information received is solely for the purpose of determining whether to conduct a competitive acquisition. The Government reserves the right to issue a Request for Quote (RFQ) as a result of this announcement. Please be advised that this announcement may constitute the only notice that will be posted for this acquisition, based on the review of any responses to this notice. Marketing brochures and/or generic company literature will not be considered. Not addressing all the requested information may result in the Government determining the responder is not capable of performing the scope of work required.