COMBINED SYNOPSIS / SOLICITATION

Spectrofluorometer (Fluorimeter) System Replacement

Solicitation Number:	FA700026Q0056
Post Date:	11 Aug 2026
Response Date:	18 Aug 2026 at 10:00 AM MDT
Set-Aside:	Unrestricted (Full and Open Competition)

NOTICE TO OFFERORS:
Funds are not presently available for this effort. No award will be made under this solicitation until funds are available. The Government reserves the right to cancel this solicitation, either before or after the closing date. In the event the Government cancels this solicitation, the Government has no obligation to reimburse an offeror for any costs incurred in preparing or submitting a quote/proposal.

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1. Mandatory Statement

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

2. Solicitation Type and Description

Solicitation number FA700026Q0056 is issued as a Request for Quotation (RFQ) for the procurement of one (1) new high-performance fluorescence spectrophotometer (fluorimeter) system for the USAFA Department of Chemistry.

3. Set-Aside and Applicable Clauses Statement

This acquisition is Unrestricted (Full and Open Competition). This solicitation incorporates provisions and clauses by reference. The full text of provisions and clauses may be accessed electronically at www.acquisition.gov.

- **NAICS Code:** 334516 (Analytical Laboratory Instrument Manufacturing)
- **Small Business Size Standard:** 1,000 Employees
- **PSC:** 6630 (Chemical Analysis Instruments)

4. Line Item Number(s) and Quantities

CLIN	Description	Qty	UOM
0001	**Spectrofluorometer (Fluorimeter) System** Includes the core instrument, solid sample holder accessory kit, water-thermostatted single-cell holder, water pump, and desktop PC with interfacing software as detailed in the Salient Characteristics.	1	Each (EA)

5. Description of Requirements

The Contractor shall provide all equipment, components, and on-site installation/familiarization training for a commercial spectrofluorometer system. The system must meet all brand-agnostic salient characteristics attached to this solicitation (See Attachment 1 — Salient Characteristics). The offeror must submit sufficient technical literature to unequivocally demonstrate that the proposed product meets or exceeds all salient characteristics.

6. Delivery and Acceptance

Delivery Term:	FOB Destination
Delivery Location:	USAF Academy (USAFA), CO 80840
Delivery Schedule:	To be proposed by the offeror (e.g., 30–60 Days After Receipt of Order).

7. Applicable Solicitation Provisions

The provision at **FAR 52.212-1**, *Instructions to Offerors—Commercial Products and Commercial Services*, applies to this acquisition.

Addendum to 52.212-1: Offerors shall submit a firm-fixed-price quote. Quotes must include technical specifications/brochures for the proposed system, lead time, standard commercial warranty terms, and the completed BAA certification. Quotes must remain valid until 30 Sep 2026.

The provision at **FAR 52.212-2**, *Evaluation—Commercial Products and Commercial Services*, applies.

Addendum to 52.212-2: 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 shall be used to evaluate offers:

1. **Technical Capability** of the item offered to meet the Government's requirement (Pass/Fail against Salient Characteristics).
2. **Past Performance.** In addition to evaluating Contractor Performance Assessment Reporting System (CPARS) records, the Government will check the contractor's Supplier Performance Risk System (SPRS) score.
3. **Price.**

Basis for Award: This is a Best Value / Trade-Off determination. The Government reserves the right to award to other than the lowest priced offeror if a higher-priced offer provides a superior technical solution or past performance history that represents the best overall value to the Government.

8. Additional Required Provisions and Clauses

- **FAR 52.212-3,** Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Products and Commercial Services. Offerors must include a completed copy of this provision with their offer or ensure their SAM.gov representations are current.

- **FAR 52.212-4,** Terms and Conditions—Commercial Products and Commercial Services, applies to this acquisition.
- **FAR 52.212-5,** Contract Terms and Conditions Required To Implement Statutes or Executive Orders—Commercial Products and Commercial Services, applies to this acquisition.
- **FAR 52.225-1,** Buy American—Supplies (The Buy American Act applies to this acquisition).
- **FAR 52.225-2,** Buy American Certificate (Offerors must complete and return this provision).

9. RFO and R-DFARS Provisions and Clauses

NOTE: The vendor acknowledges that should the quote terms and conditions conflict with mandatory provisions of the RFO and/or other Federal law applicable to commercial acquisitions, the conflicting vendor terms and conditions are unenforceable and are not considered incorporated into any resultant contract.

10. Response Date, Time, and Point of Contact

All quotes and inquiries must be submitted electronically via email.

Due Date & Time:	17 Aug 2026 at 10:00 AM Mountain Daylight Time (MDT)
Questions Deadline:	13 Aug 2026 at 10:00 AM MDT (must be in writing via email)
Primary Point of Contact:	Ronald Wilson, Contracting Officer Email: ronald.wilson.26@us.af.mil
Secondary Point of Contact:	Mikayla Brandt, Contract Specialist Email: mikayla.brandt@us.af.mil

11. Ombudsman

(a) An ombudsman has been appointed to hear and facilitate the resolution of concerns from offerors, potential offerors, and others for this acquisition. When requested, the ombudsman will maintain strict confidentiality as to the source of the concern. The existence of the ombudsman does not affect the authority of the program manager, contracting officer, or source selection official. Further, the ombudsman does not participate in the evaluation of proposals, the source selection process, or the adjudication of protests or formal contract disputes. The ombudsman may refer the interested party to another official who can resolve the concern.

(b) Before consulting with an ombudsman, interested parties must first address their concerns, issues, disagreements, and/or recommendations to the contracting officer for resolution. Consulting an ombudsman does not alter or postpone the timelines for any other processes (e.g., agency level bid protests, GAO bid protests, requests for debriefings, employee-employer actions, contests of OMB Circular A-76 competition performance decisions).

(c) If resolution cannot be made by the contracting officer, the interested party may contact the ombudsman, Mr. James Anderson, 8110 Industrial Drive, STE 103, USAFA, CO 80840, Telephone number 719-333-2074, FAX 719-333-9018, Email: james.anderson.72@us.af.mil. Concerns, issues, disagreements, and recommendations that cannot be resolved at the Center/MAJCOM/DRU/SMC ombudsman level, may be brought by the interested party for further consideration to the Air Force ombudsman, Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary (ADAS) (Contracting), SAF/AQC, 1060 Air Force Pentagon, Washington DC 20330-1060, phone number (571) 256-2395, facsimile number (571) 256-2431.

(d) The ombudsman has no authority to render a decision that binds the agency.

(e) Do not contact the ombudsman to request copies of the solicitation, verify offer due date, or clarify technical requirements. Such inquiries shall be directed to the contracting officer.

(End of clause)

Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Salient Characteristics_Fluorimeter

Attachment 2 - FAR 52.225-2, Buy American Certificate

Attachment 3 - Provisions and Clauses