THIS IS A COMBINED SYNOPSIS/SOLICITATION FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FORMAT IN SUBPART 12.6, AS SUPPLEMENTED WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THIS NOTICE. THIS ANNOUNCEMENT CONSTITUTES THE ONLY SOLICITATION; QUOTATIONS ARE BEING REQUESTED AND A WRITTEN SOLICITATION WILL NOT BE ISSUED.

The solicitation number is NB688000-26-02416 and is a Request for Quotation (RFQ) conducted under the authority of FAR Overhaul, Part 12, Acquisition of Commercial Products and Commercial Services.

The solicitation document and incorporated provisions and clauses are those in effect through Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2026-01, dated March 13, 2026, and the Revolutionary FAR Overhaul (RFO), supplemented by Department of Commerce Acquisition Policy.

The associated North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this procurement is 334516, Analytical Laboratory Instrument Manufacturing with a small business size standard of 1,000 employees.

This requirement is being solicited as unrestricted .

Attached is the Requirements and Specifications document describing the requirements for solicitation NB688000-26-02416 for the following line-item number(s) (CLINs) to include a description of the item(s), quantities, and units of measure (including any applicable option(s)).

Item Number	Supplies/Services Description	QTY	Unit of Issue	Unit Price	Amount
0001	1071 nm Fiber Amplifier per the Requirements and Specifications Includes shipping FOB Destination	2	EA	$	$
Total Award Value:				$	$

A Description of the requirements for the items to be acquired is in the attached Requirements and Specifications document.

Date(s) and place(s) of delivery and acceptance and FOB point are required in accordance with the attached Requirements and Specifications document.

FAR 52.212-1, INSTRUCTION TO OFFERORS-COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES

The provision at FAR 52.212-1, Instructions to Offerors—Commercial Products and Commercial Services (DEVIATION APRIL 2026), applies to this acquisition. The addendum to this provision is as follows: Submit the quotation on company letterhead to the email address stated herein by the date and time provided. The quotation shall include clear, concise, technical capability of the items offered to meet the Government requirement identified in the Specifications document. The pricing shall conform to the technical requirements, and a firm fixed price shall be provided for each line item. If the quotation is missing any of the elements the quotation may be deemed unacceptable and may not be evaluated further.

The following additional contract requirement(s) and additional terms and conditions are necessary for this acquisition and consistent with customary commercial practices are as follows:

Additional Contract Requirements:

1) All communications and documents must include the solicitation # NB688000-26-02416.
2) All quotations shall include the following information:
   a) Information enough to demonstrate you can meet or exceed the requirements in the Requirements and Specifications.
3) ***Simply cutting and pasting the requirements onto a quote will not suffice.***
   a) Firm fixed price quote to **include all shipping and delivery fees**.
   b) Payment Terms: Net 30.
   c) **The required delivery is eighteen (18) Weeks after receipt of the order (ARO). Please indicate the soonest you can deliver.**
   d) **Provide the country of origin/manufacture in the quote.**
   e) FOB Destination including delivery cost for delivery to:
      DOC - NIST
      325 Broadway
      Boulder, CO 80305
   f) Delivery point of contact will be provided upon award. (NIST reserves the right to ship using the NIST Account).
   g) Company SAM Unique Entity ID. In order to be eligible for this award, the offeror must have and maintain an active registration at the System for Award Management at www.sam.gov and have completed Representations and Certifications therein for the specified NAICS code or submit separate Representations and Certifications if the specified NAICS code is not listed in their SAM registration.
   h) Acceptance is expected to not exceed fourteen (14) days after the items are received.

Quotation Submission Requirements:

1). Price Quotation: The offeror shall submit one (1) original copy of the completed price quotation electronically to lisa.stevens@nist.gov. Pricing quotation shall be separate from any other portion of the quotation. The offeror shall provide a firm-fixed price, FOB Destination is required, for each CLIN. Price quotations shall remain valid for a period of **160 days** from the date quotations are due.

2). Technical Quotation: The technical quotation shall address the following:
Technical Capability: The offeror shall submit a technical description, product literature, and/or drawings for the system it is proposing, which clearly identifies each requirement listed above. The offeror must demonstrate that its proposed system meets each minimum requirement described above, by providing a citation to the relevant section of its technical description or product literature. The contractor must not simply state they will meet the requirement; evidence must be provided. If applicable, evidence that the Offeror is authorized by the original provider to provide the item(s) in the quotation should be included.

3). Acceptance of RFQ terms and conditions: This is an open-market solicitation for equipment as defined herein. The Government intends to award a Purchase Order as a result of this solicitation that will include the clauses set forth herein. The quotation should include one of the following statements:

"The terms and conditions in the solicitation are acceptable to be included in the award document without modification, deletion, or addition."

4). Quoters that are proposing products manufactured **outside of the United States** must identify any other or unknown charges that may be applicable to the sale of these products (here indicated as CLIN 0002) as a separate line item on price quotes/proposals. This price element may be listed as part of the cost of the product or as a sub-total element but must be clearly identified. This price element must only apply to the total value of the goods identified for customs processing. Only

include the country of origin and the tariff percentage currently in place or the expected amount at time of delivery for that country. Price quotes shall clearly identify the relevant tariffs in terms of percentage and total cost. If there are multiple countries of origins and associated tariffs, identify each separately.

OR

"The terms and conditions in the solicitation are acceptable to be included in the award document with the exception, deletion, or addition of the following:

Offeror shall list exception(s) and rationale for the exception(s)

Note: This procurement is not being conducted under the GSA Federal Supply Schedule (FSS) program or another Government-Wide Area Contract (GWAC). If an offeror submits a quotation based upon an FSS or GWAC contract, the Government will accept the quoted price.

However, the terms and conditions stated herein will be included in any resultant Purchase Order, not the terms and conditions of the offeror's FSS or GWAC contract, and the statement required above shall be included in the quotation.

4). The Unique Entity Identification (UEI) for the quoter's active System for Award Management (SAM) registration. Quoters must have an active registration at www.SAM.Gov to receive an award.

5). Quoters shall include a completed copy of the below provisions, "Representation by Corporations Regarding an Unpaid Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction Under Any Federal Law (Class Deviation) (March 2015)" and "Free Trade Agreements Certificate" with their quotation.

6). Quoters that are proposing products manufactured **outside of the United States** must identify any other or unknown charges that may be applicable to the sale of these products (here indicated as CLIN 0002) as a separate line item on price quotes/proposals. This price element may be listed as part of the cost of the product or as a sub-total element but must be clearly identified. This price element must only apply to the total value of the goods identified for customs processing. Only include the country of origin and the tariff percentage currently in place or the expected amount at time of delivery for that country. Price quotes shall clearly identify the relevant tariffs in terms of percentage and total cost. If there are multiple countries of origins and associated tariffs, identify each separately.

(End of Provision)

FAR 52.212-2, EVALUATION - COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES

As prescribed in 12.205(a)(2), insert a provision substantially as follows:

Evaluation—Commercial Products and Commercial Services (APRIL 2026)

(a) Evaluation factors. The Government will award a firm-fixed price contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible Offeror whose off with the Lowest Price Technically acceptable (LPTA) quote based on the technical specifications as detailed within the attached specification document(s):

> **Factor 1 – Technical Capability:** Evaluation of this factor is a subjective evaluation of the contractor's demonstrated resources, capability, and methods to meet all requirements. This factor will be evaluated on an Acceptable / Unacceptable basis. The offeror's submittals will be evaluated to determine whether the proposed technical approach demonstrates a clear and unambiguous understanding and a demonstrated ability to meet the minimum requirements.

Failure to demonstrate a clear and unambiguous technical approach to meeting the requirements will result in an "Unacceptable" rating for this factor.

Factor 2 – Price: The quoted price will be evaluated for reasonableness. Price Realism will not be conducted.

(b) Options (if applicable). The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. The Government may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the option prices are significantly unbalanced. The evaluation of options does not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

(c) 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)

FAR 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS—COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES.
The clause at FAR 52.212-4, Contract Terms and Conditions -- Commercial Products and Commercial Services (DEVIATION APRIL 2026), applies to this acquisition.

PROVISIONS AND CLAUSES:

The following provisions and clauses apply to this acquisition and are hereby incorporated by reference.
All FAR clauses may be viewed at https://www.acquisition.gov/browse/index/far. The FAR Overhaul may be viewed at https://www.acquisition.gov/far-overhaul/far-part-deviation-guide.
All Commerce Acquisition Regulation (CAR) clauses may be viewed at https://www.acquisition.gov/car.

PROVISIONS –
FAR 52.204-7, System for Award Management
FAR 52.209-11, Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law
FAR 52.215-1, Instruction to Offers – Competitive Acquisition
FAR 52.225-18, Place of Manufacture
FAR 52.240-90, Security Prohibitions and Exclusions Representations and Certifications

CLAUSES –
FAR 52.203-17, Contractor Employee Whistleblower Rights
FAR 52.204-13, System for Award Management Maintenance
FAR 52.204-91, Contractor Identification
FAR 52.209-6, Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, Proposed for Debarment, or Voluntarily Excluded
FAR 52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations
FAR 52.210-1, Market Research
FAR 52.222-19, Child Labor—Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies
FAR 52.222-20, Contracts for Materials, Supplies, Articles, and Equipment
FAR 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons
FAR 52.226-8, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving
FAR 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer
FAR 52.233-3, Protest After Award

FAR 52.240-91, Security Prohibitions and Exclusions
FAR 52.240-93, Basic Safeguarding of Covered Contractor Information Systems
FAR 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (DEVIATION JAN 2026)

FAR 52.208-9 CONTRACTOR USE OF MANDATORY SOURCES OF SUPPLY OR SERVICES.

As prescribed in 8.105-1(b), insert the following clause:

Contractor Use of Mandatory Sources of Supply or Services (DEVIATION JAN 2026)

(a) Certain supplies or services to be provided under this contract for use by the Government are required by law to be obtained from nonprofit agencies participating in the program operated by the Committee for Purchase from People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled (the Committee) under 41 U.S.C. 8504. Additionally, certain of these supplies are available from the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), the General Services Administration (GSA), or the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The Contractor shall obtain mandatory supplies or services to be provided for Government use under this contract from the specific sources indicated in the contract schedule.

(b) The Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer if a mandatory source is unable to provide the supplies or services by the time required, or if the quality of supplies or services provided by the mandatory source is unsatisfactory. The Contractor shall not purchase the supplies or services from other sources until the Contracting Officer has notified the Contractor that the Committee or an AbilityOne central nonprofit agency has authorized purchase from other sources.

(c) Price and delivery information for the mandatory supplies is available from the Contracting Officer for the supplies obtained through the DLA/GSA/VA distribution facilities. For mandatory supplies or services that are not available from DLA/GSA/VA, price and delivery information is available from the appropriate central nonprofit agency. Payments shall be made directly to the source making delivery. Points of contact for AbilityOne central nonprofit agencies are:

(1) National Industries for the Blind 1310 Braddock Place Alexandria, VA 22314-1691 (703) 310-0500; and

(2) NISH 8401 Old Courthouse Road Vienna, VA 22182 (571) 226-4660.

(End of clause)

FAR 52.222-90, ADDRESSING DEI DISCRIMINATION BY FEDERAL CONTRACTORS.

As prescribed in 22.2203, insert the following clause:

Addressing DEI Discrimination by Federal Contractors (Deviation APRIL 2026)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause—

Program participation means membership or participation in, or access or admission to: training, mentoring, or leadership development programs; educational opportunities; clubs; associations; or similar opportunities that are sponsored or established by the contractor or subcontractor.

Racially discriminatory diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) activities means disparate treatment based on race or ethnicity in the recruitment, employment (e.g., hiring, promotions), contracting (e.g., vendor agreements), program participation, or allocation or deployment of an entity's resources.

(b) In connection with the performance of work under this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The Contractor will not engage in any racially discriminatory DEI activities;

(2) The Contractor will furnish all information and reports, including providing access to books, records, and accounts, as required by the Contracting Officer, for purposes of ascertaining compliance with this clause;

(3) In the event of the Contractor's or a subcontractor's noncompliance with this clause, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part, and the Contractor or subcontractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts;

(4) The Contractor will report any subcontractor's known or reasonably knowable conduct that may violate this clause to the Contracting Officer and take any appropriate remedial actions directed by the Contracting Officer; and

(5) The Contractor will inform the Contracting Officer if a subcontractor sues the Contractor and the suit puts at issue, in any way, the validity of this clause.

(6) The Contractor recognizes that compliance with the requirements of this clause are material to the Government's payment decisions for purposes of 31 U.S.C. 3729(b)(4).

(c) The Contractor must include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (c), in subcontracts at any tier, including those for commercial products and commercial services, except those where the place of delivery or performance is outside the United States.

(End of clause)

FAR 52.225-3, BUY AMERICAN-FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS-ISRAELI TRADE ACT ALT II

FAR 52.225-4, BUY AMERICAN-FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS-ISRAELI TRADE ACT CERTIFICATE.

As prescribed in 25.601(b)(2)(i), insert the following provision:

BUY AMERICAN-FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS-ISRAELI TRADE ACT CERTIFICATE (APRIL 2026)

(a)

(1) The Offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (b) or (c)(1) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that each domestic end product listed in paragraph (c)(2) of this provision contains a critical component.

(2) The terms "Bahraini, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end product," "commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item," "critical component," "domestic end product," "end product," "foreign end product," "Free Trade Agreement country," "Free Trade Agreement country end product," "Israeli end product," and "United States," are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act."

(b) The Offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahraini, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act":

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahraini, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

Line-Item No.	Country of Origin
_____	_____

_____ _____

[*List as necessary*]

(c)

(1) The Offeror shall list those supplies that are foreign end products (other than those listed in paragraph (b) of this provision) as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act." The Offeror shall list as other foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products. For those foreign end products that do not consist wholly or predominantly of iron or steel or a combination of both, the Offeror shall also indicate whether these foreign end products exceed 55 percent domestic content, except for those that are COTS items. If the percentage of the domestic content is unknown, select “no”.

Other Foreign End Products:

Line-Item No.	Country of Origin	Exceeds 55% domestic content (yes/no)
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

[*List as necessary*]

(2) The Offeror shall list the line-item numbers of domestic end products that contain a critical component (see FAR 25.105).

Line-Item No. ___

[*List as necessary*]

(d) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of part 25 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

(End of provision)

Alternate II (JAN 2025). As prescribed in 25.601(b)(2)(ii), substitute the following paragraph (b) for paragraph (b) of the basic provision:

(b) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act”.

ISRAELI END PRODUCTS:

Line-Item No.
_____
_____
_____

[*List as necessary*]

FAR 52.225-18, PLACE OF MANUFACTURE

As prescribed in 25.601(f), insert the following provision:

Place of Manufacture (Aug 2018)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision—

Manufactured end product means any end product in product and service codes (PSCs) 1000-9999, except-

(1) FPSC 5510, Lumber and Related Basic Wood Materials;
(2) Product or Service Group (PSG) 87, Agricultural Supplies;
(3) PSG 88, Live Animals;
(4) PSG 89, Subsistence;
(5) PSC 9410, Crude Grades of Plant Materials;
(6) PSC 9430, Miscellaneous Crude Animal Products, Inedible;
(7) PSC 9440, Miscellaneous Crude Agricultural and Forestry Products;
(8) PSC 9610, Ores;
(9) PSC 9620, Minerals, Natural and Synthetic; and
(10) PSC 9630, Additive Metal Materials.

Place of manufacture means the place where an end product is assembled out of components, or otherwise made or processed from raw materials into the finished product that is to be provided to the Government. If a product is disassembled and reassembled, the place of reassembly is not the place of manufacture.

(b) For statistical purposes only, the offeror shall indicate whether the place of manufacture of the end products it expects to provide in response to this solicitation is predominantly-

(1) □ In the United States (Check this box if the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured in the United States exceeds the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured outside the United States); or

(2) □ Outside the United States.

(End of provision)

FAR 52.247-34, FOB DESTINATION

As prescribed in 47.303-6(c), insert the following clause:

F.O.B. Destination (Jan 1991)

(a) The term "F.O.B. destination," as used in this clause, means-

(1) Free of expense to the Government, on board the carrier's conveyance, at a specified delivery point where the consignee's facility (plant, warehouse, store, lot, or other location to which shipment can be made) is located; and

(2) Supplies shall be delivered to the destination consignee's wharf (if destination is a port city and supplies are for export), warehouse unloading platform, or receiving dock, at the expense of the Contractor. The Government shall not be liable for any delivery, storage, demurrage, accessorial, or other charges involved before the actual delivery (or "constructive placement" as defined in carrier tariffs) of the supplies to the destination, unless such charges are caused by an act or order of the Government acting in its contractual capacity. If rail carrier is used, supplies shall be delivered to the specified unloading platform of the consignee. If motor carrier (including "piggyback") is used, supplies shall be delivered to truck tailgate at the unloading platform of the consignee, except when the supplies delivered meet the requirements of Item 568 of the National Motor Freight Classification for "heavy or bulky freight." When supplies meeting the requirements of the referenced Item 568 are delivered, unloading (including movement to the tailgate) shall be performed by the consignee, with assistance from the truck driver, if requested. If the contractor uses rail carrier or freight forwarder for less than carload shipments, the contractor shall ensure that the carrier will furnish tailgate delivery, when required, if transfer to truck is required to complete delivery to consignee.

(b) The Contractor shall-

(1)(i) Pack and mark the shipment to comply with contract specifications; or
(ii) In the absence of specifications, prepare the shipment in conformance with carrier requirements;

(2) Prepare and distribute commercial bills of lading;

(3) Deliver the shipment in good order and condition to the point of delivery specified in the contract;

(4) Be responsible for any loss of and/or damage to the goods occurring before receipt of the shipment by the consignee at the delivery point specified in the contract;

(5) Furnish a delivery schedule and designate the mode of delivering carrier; and

(6) Pay and bear all charges to the specified point of delivery.

(End of clause)

FAR 52.247-48, FOB DESTINATION-EVIDENCE OF SHIPMENT

As prescribed in 47.305-4(c), insert the following clause:

F.O.B. Destination-Evidence of Shipment (Feb 1999)

(a) If this contract is awarded on a free on board (F.O.B.) destination basis, the Contractor-
(1) SHALL NOT SUBMIT AN INVOICE FOR PAYMENT UNTIL THE SUPPLIES COVERED BY THE INVOICE HAVE BEEN SHIPPED TO THE DESTINATION; and
(2) Shall retain, and make available to the Government for review as necessary, the following evidence of shipment documentation for a period of 3 years after final payment under the contract:
(i) If transportation is accomplished by common carrier, a signed copy of the commercial bill of lading for the supplies covered by the Contractor's invoice, indicating the carrier's intent to ship the supplies to the destination specified in the contract.
(ii) If transportation is accomplished by parcel post, a copy of the certificate of mailing.
(iii) If transportation is accomplished by other than common carrier or parcel post, a copy of the delivery document showing receipt at the destination specified in the contract.
(b) The Contractor is not required to submit evidence of shipment documentation with its invoice.

(End of clause)

FAR 52.252-1, SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

As prescribed in 52.107(a), insert the following provision:

Solicitation Provisions Incorporated by Reference (Feb 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation 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. The quoter is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the quoter and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the quoter may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es): at http://acquisition.gov/comp/far/index.html
https://www.commerce.gov/oam/policy/acquisition-policy/procurement-memoranda

(End of provision)

FAR 52.252-2, CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

As prescribed in 52.107(b), insert the following clause:

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/these address(es): at http://acquisition.gov/comp/far/index.html
https://www.commerce.gov/oam/policy/acquisition-policy/procurement-memoranda

(End of Clause)

FAR 52.252-6, AUTHORIZED DEVIATIONS IN CLAUSES

As prescribed in 52.107(f), insert the following clause in solicitations and contracts that include any FAR or supplemental clause with an authorized deviation. Whenever any FAR or supplemental clause is used with an authorized deviation, the contracting officer shall identify it by the same number, title, and date assigned to the clause when it is used without deviation, include regulation name for any supplemental clause, except that the contracting officer shall insert "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the clause.

(a) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the clause.
(b) The use in this solicitation or contract of any Commerce Acquisition Regulations (48 CFR Chapter 13) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the name of the regulation.

(End of Clause)

CAR 1352.201-70, Contracting Officer's Authority
CAR 1352.209-73, Compliance with the Laws
CAR 1352.209-74, Organizational Conflict of Interest
CAR 1352.233-70, Agency Protests
CAR 1352.233-71, GAO and Court of Federal Claims Protests

CAR 1352.246-70, PLACE OF ACCEPTANCE
(a) The Contracting Officer or the duly authorized representative will accept supplies and services to be provided under this contract.
(b) The place of acceptance will be:

NIST
325 Broadway
Boulder, CO 80305

(End of Clause)

NIST LOCAL-39, MARKING/PACKING INSTRUCTIONS

(1) If the total contract/order includes multiple quantities of the same or like item(s), segregated as separate CLIN/Item numbers, deliverables shall be packed accordingly. Each individual Package / container in the shipment shall include deliverables on a per-CLIN or Item basis.

(2) For each shipment made under this contract/order, the Contractor shall furnish itemized packing list(s), enumerating the specific contents of each shipping container and what specific individual components constitute a full and complete "unit" for each bid item. The packing list shall include the brief description of each item found in the Schedule. If more than one container is required for each unit, each container should be marked accordingly, e.g., "Box 1 of 2," "Box 2 of 2," and the boxes, where feasible, should be taped or shrink-wrapped together as an issuable unit.

(3) The contract number AND CONTRACT LINE-ITEM NUMBER (CLIN) OR ORDER ITEM NUMBER shall be placed on the exterior of all containers.

(End)

NIST LOCAL-53, CONTRACT PERFORMANCE DURING CHANGES IN NIST OPERATING STATUS

Unless otherwise stated in the contract terms and conditions, normal days of business operation are Monday through Friday, excluding Federal Holidays. However, throughout the contract period of performance, there may be circumstances beyond the control of the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), that will impact normal days of business operation, such as inclement weather, power outages, etc. In circumstances such as these, the Contractor must call the appropriate NIST campus status line to verify the operating status:

Gaithersburg Campus Operating Status Line:
(301) 975-8000
(800) 437-4385 x8000 (toll free)

Boulder Campus Operating Status Line:
(303) 497-4000

During a lapse in appropriation, access to Government facilities and resources, including equipment and systems, will be limited to excepted personnel for both Federal employees and Contractor personnel. If performance of the contract is onsite and/or requires Government interaction, unless you have been, or are notified that you are to work under an excepted status, you will automatically enter a temporary work stoppage. The work stoppage shall remain in effect until the lapse is resolved and notification is provided via the NIST website at https://www.nist.gov/ and/or the NIST operating status lines. Additionally, Contractors are encouraged to monitor public broadcasts or the Office of Personnel Management's website at www.opm.gov for the Federal Government operating status.

NIST will provide notification to all contractors that are determined to have excepted status. All excepted contractors are required to continue performance and communicate with the appointed Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) for further guidance, or NIST Contracting Officer if a COR is not appointed.

Contractors with supply or service contracts that are fully funded at the time of contract award and do not require access to Government facilities, resources, or active administration by Government personnel in a manner that would cause the government to incur additional obligations during the lapse in appropriation may continue performance.

(End)

NIST LOCAL-54, ELECTRONIC BILLING INSTRUCTIONS

Instructions: use in all awards that require electronic submission of invoices.

NIST requires that Invoice/Voucher submissions are sent electronically via email to INVOICE@NIST.GOV.
Each Invoice or Voucher submitted shall include the following:
(1) Contract number;
(2) Contractor name and address;

(3) Unique entity identifier (see www.sam.gov for the designated entity for establishing unique entity identifiers);
(4) Date of invoice;
(5) Invoice number;
(6) Amount of invoice and cumulative amount invoiced to-date;
(7) Contract Line-Item Number (CLIN);
(8) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price, and extended price of supplies/services delivered;
(9) Prompt payment discount terms, if offered; and
(10) Any other information or documentation required by the contract.

(End)

NIST LOCAL-56, INVOICING PROCESSING PLATFORM-ALTERNATE I
Upon written notice from the contracting officer the following supersedes all other instructions for the submission of payment requests. Accordingly, following written notice 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 payment request or invoicing instructions, 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:

The Contractor must use the IPP website to register, access, and use IPP for submitting payment requests. If not already enrolled, the Contractor Government Business Point of Contact (as listed in SAM) will receive enrollment instructions via email within three to five business days of the addition of the contract award to IPP. 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 payment requests, the Contractor must submit a waiver request in writing to the Contracting Officer with its proposal or quotation. Contact the contracting officer for more information on submitting a waiver request.

(End)

Defense Priorities and Allocations System (DPAS) is NOT applicable.

The solicitation will close on the date and time specified and provided. All quotations shall be delivered electronically by the specified close date and time to Lisa Stevens, Contracting Officer at lisa.stevens@nist.gov.

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Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Requirements and Specifications