Contractor Questions and Answers

Q1. Could you please confirm whether the procurement of Raider outboard engines requires compliance with 40 C.F.R. § 1068.225, which provides an exemption from EPA engine and equipment standards for national security purposes under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.)?

Specifically, under § 1068.225(a)(1), engines owned by a federal agency responsible for national defense may be exempt from applicable EPA standards, provided that the required endorsement is obtained in accordance with § 1068.225(d).

In this regard, could you please clarify whether the Government will provide the endorsement required under 40 C.F.R. § 1068.225(d), or whether the contractor is responsible for obtaining and providing the required endorsement?

A1: Good afternoon. This procurement does require a formal exemption. The contractor will work with the manufacturer to obtain the exemption to fulfill the requirement.