INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE – CISCO NETWORK EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE

Agency Information:
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RFQ Summary:
RFQ Name: Cisco Network Equipment and Software Maintenance
This requirement is set-aside 100% for Indian Small Business Economic Enterprise (ISBEE) vendors ONLY. Responses from other than ISBEE vendors will be deemed unresponsive, and will not be evaluated for award.
Issue Date: 8/12/2026
Responses Due: 8/18/2026 by 2:00PM ET
RFQ Questions Deadline: 8/14/2026 by 8:00AM ET
RFQ Questions and Submission Instructions:
Email Contracting Officer Whitley Miller at whitley.miller@hhs.gov AND Contract Specialist Nicolas Kalish at nicolas.kalish@hhs.gov.

Section C – Requirements

See attachment in Section J named Statement of Work for the requirements of this solicitation.

The government requirements listed in Attachment 1 – Network Equipment Maintenance Contract – Equipment List shall be effective 12 months and shall begin on the date when any existing maintenance contract expires. For devices not currently covered by an existing maintenance contract, the contract start date shall begin within 10 days of contract award.

Section D – Packaging and Marking

All deliverables shall be delivered to the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR), identified in Section G and shall be marked as required by the COR. For questions, please contact the COR listed in Section G.

Section E – Inspection and Acceptance

Pursuant to FAR clause 52.212-4, all work described in Section C to be delivered under this contract is subject to final inspection and acceptance by an authorized representative of the Government. The authorized representative of the Government is the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR), who is responsible for inspection and acceptance of all services, materials, or supplies to be provided by the Contractor.

Inspection and Acceptance Criteria:
Final inspection and acceptance of all work performed, reports and other deliverables will be performed at the place of delivery by the COR. The basis for acceptance will be

in compliance with best commercial practices and those requirements provided in the order, contract, or agreement

Non-Conforming Products or Services Unless specified otherwise in the orders or contracts, non-conforming products or services will be rejected. Deficiencies will be corrected, by the contractor, within three working days of the rejection notice or as time constraints are deemed necessary. If the deficiencies cannot be corrected within three workdays, the contractor shall immediately notify the COR, or other authorized representatives designated in each order, contract, or agreement of the delay and provide a proposed corrective action plan within three workdays or as time to conform dictates more urgent action.

Section F – Deliveries or Performance

After contract award, the contractor shall contact the IHS Contractor Officer Representative (COR) to verify the email address and Cisco.com user id for E-Delivery. The contractor shall provide the COR with an export from the Cisco maintenance database, listing the serial numbers, support contract number(s) and service duration to confirm maintenance coverage.

Service subscriptions acquired through this acquisition shall be electronically delivered via email or assigned to the IHS Smart virtual account IHS-HQ-OIT on the Cisco portal.

Section G – Contract Administration Data

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Electronic Invoicing and Payment Requirements - Invoice Processing Platform (IPP)

- All Invoice submissions for goods and or services delivered to facilitate payments must be made electronically through the U.S. Department of Treasury's Invoice Processing Platform System (IPP).
- Invoice Submission for Payment 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 Prompt Payment clause included in the contract, or the clause

52.212-4 included in commercial items contracts. The IPP website address is: https://www.ipp.gov.

- The Agency will enroll the Contractors new to IPP. The Contractor must follow the IPP registration email instructions for enrollment to register the Collector Account for submitting invoice requests for payment. The Contractor Government Business Point of Contact (as listed in SAM) will receive Registration email from the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (FRBSTL) within 3 – 5 business days of the contract award for new contracts or date of modification for existing contracts.
    - Registration emails are sent via email from ipp.noreply@mail.eroc.twai.gov. Contractor assistance with enrollment can be obtained by contacting the IPP Production Helpdesk via email to IPPCustomerSupport@fiscal.treasury.gov or phone (866) 973-3131.
    - The Contractor POC will receive two emails from IPP Customer Support, the first email contains the initial administrative IPP User ID. The second email, sent within 24 hours of receipt of the first email, contains a temporary password. You must log in with the temporary password within 30 days.
- If your company is already registered to use IPP, you will not be required to re-register.
- If the Contractor is unable to comply with the requirement to use IPP for submitting invoices for payment as authorized by HHSAR 332.7002, a written request must be submitted to the Contracting Officer to explain the circumstances that require the authorization of alternate payment procedures.

Section H – Special Contract Clauses

52.252-1 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 offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror 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): https://www.acquisition.gov/far-overhaul/far-part-deviation-guide; http://www.acquisition.gov/far/; and https://www.acquisition.gov/hhsar

(End of provision)

52.252-2 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): https://www.acquisition.gov/far-overhaul/far-part-deviation-guide; http://www.acquisition.gov/far/; and https://www.acquisition.gov/hhsar

(End of clause)

Special Notice and Agreement Regarding Software EULA/TOS
Computer software and services are often subject to license agreements, referred to as End User License Agreements (EULA), Terms of Service (TOS), or other similar legal instruments or agreements. Many of these agreements contain indemnification clauses that are inconsistent with Federal law and unenforceable, but which could create a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act (31 U.S.C. 1341) if agreed to by the Government.

Therefore, the inclusion of any Limitation of Liability, Indemnification, and any other clauses that conflict with Federal law or regulation in any EULA or TOS are NULL AND VOID.

Special Notice Regarding Subscriptions: The contractor shall not auto-renew the subscription. If the period of performance ends and the option is not exercised or a new order is in place, the subscription shall stop immediately.

Special Notice
In accordance with HHS FAR Class Deviations 2025-01 and 2025-02 the following clauses **do not apply** to this order, unless a deviation is included herein:

- 52.222-21 Prohibition of Segregated Facilities
- 52.222-26 Equal Opportunity
- 52.222-29, Notification of visa denial
- 52.223-2 Reporting of Biobased Products Under Service and Construction Contracts (MAY 2024) - unless deviated version included herein
- 52.223-10 Waste Reduction Program (MAY 2024) - unless deviated version included herein
- 52.223-19 Compliance with Environmental Management Systems
- 52.223-23 Sustainable Products and Services (MAY 2024) - unless deviated version included herein

Section I - Contract Clauses

The terms, conditions, and clauses set forth under the applicable NASA SEWP contract(s) are incorporated by reference and shall apply in their entirety to this solicitation and any resultant award made hereunder, unless otherwise mentioned as "do not apply".

Provisions and Clauses Incorporated by Reference

This document incorporates one or more provisions and clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text (FAR 52.252-1 / 52.252-2). The full text is available at https://www.acquisition.gov/far.

52.204-7 System for Award Management (APR 2026)
52.212-1 Instructions to Offerors—Commercial Products and Commercial Services (APR 2026)

52.240-90 Security Prohibitions and Exclusions Representations and Certifications (APR 2026)
352.239-73 Electronic Information and Technology Accessibility Notice (DEC 2015)
52.203-17 Contractor Employee Whistleblower Rights (NOV 2023)
52.203-19 Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (JAN 2017)
52.203-6 Alt I Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (JUN 2020)
52.204-10 Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (APR 2026)
52.204-13 System for Award Management Maintenance (APR 2026)
52.204-9 Personal Identity Verification of Contractor Personnel (JAN 2011)
52.209-10 Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (APR 2026)
52.209-6 Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting With Contractors Debarred, Suspended, Proposed for Debarment, or Voluntarily Excluded (APR 2026)
52.209-9 Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (APR 2026)
52.212-4 Contract Terms and Conditions—Commercial Products and Commercial Services (APR 2026)
52.219-14 Limitations on Subcontracting (APR 2026)
52.219-28 Post-Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (APR 2026)
52.219-8 Utilization of Small Business Concerns (APR 2026)
52.222-19 Child Labor—Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (APR 2026)
52.222-3 Convict Labor (APR 2026)
52.222-35 Equal Opportunity for Veterans (APR 2026)
52.222-36 Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (APR 2026)
52.222-37 Employment Reports on Veterans (APR 2026)
52.222-40 Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (APR 2026)
52.222-50 Combating Trafficking in Persons (APR 2026)
52.222-54 Employment Eligibility Verification (APR 2026)
52.222-90 Addressing DEI Discrimination by Federal Contractors (APR 2026)
52.223-23 Sustainable Products and Services (APR 2026)
52.224-1 Privacy Act Notification (APR 1984)
52.224-2 Privacy Act (APR 1984)
52.224-3 Privacy Training (JAN 2017)
52.225-5 Trade Agreements (NOV 2023)
52.226-8 Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (MAY 2024)
52.232-33 Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—System for Award Management (OCT 2018)
52.232-39 Unenforceability of Unauthorized Obligations (JUN 2013)
52.232-40 Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (MAR 2023)
52.233-3 Protest After Award (APR 2026)
52.233-4 Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (APR 2026)
52.240-91 Security Prohibitions and Exclusions (APR 2026)
52.240-93 Basic Safeguarding of Covered Contractor Information Systems (APR 2026)

352.203-70 Anti-Lobbying (DEC 2015)
352.222-70 Contractor Cooperation in Equal Employment Opportunity Investigations (DEC 2015)
352.226-1 Indian Preference (DEC 2015)
352.226-4 Notice of Indian Small Business Economic Enterprise Set-Aside
352.226-6 Indian Economic Enterprise Subcontracting Limitations
352.226-7 Indian Economic Enterprise Representation
352.227-70 Publications and Publicity (DEC 2015)
352.232-71 Electronic Submission of Payment Requests
352.233-71 Litigation and Claims (DEC 2015)
352.239-74 Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility (DEC 2015)

Provisions and Clauses Incorporated in Full Text

52.219-1 Small Business Program Representations (APR 2026)
(a) *Definitions*. As used in this provision-
Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States and who are economically disadvantaged in accordance with 13 CFR part 127, and the concern is certified by SBA or an approved third-party certifier in accordance with 13 CFR 127.300. It automatically qualifies as a women-owned small business concern eligible under the WOSB Program.
HUBZone small business concern means a small business concern that meets the requirements described in 13 CFR 126.200, is certified by the Small Business Administration (SBA) and designated by SBA as a HUBZone small business concern in the Small Business Search (SBS) (13 CFR 126.103).
Service-disabled veteran-owned small business (SDVOSB) concern eligible under the SDVOSB Program means an SDVOSB concern that is designated in the System for Award Management (SAM) as certified by the Small Business Administration (SBA) in accordance with 13 CFR 128.300.
Small business concern—
(1) Means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in its field of operation, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR part 121 and the size standard in paragraph (b) of this provision.
(2) *Affiliates*, as used in this definition, means business concerns, one of whom directly or indirectly controls or has the power to control the others, or a third party or parties control or have the power to control the others. In determining whether affiliation exists, consideration is given to all appropriate factors including common ownership, common management, and contractual relationships. SBA determines affiliation based on the factors set forth at 13 CFR 121.103.

Small disadvantaged business concern means a small business concern that-
(1) Is at least 51 percent unconditionally and directly owned (as defined at 13 CFR 124.105) by one or more socially disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.103) and economically disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.104) individuals who are citizens of the United States, and

(2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled (as defined at 13 CFR 124.106) by individuals who meet the criteria in paragraph (1) of this definition.

Women-owned small business (WOSB) concern eligible under the WOSB Program (in accordance with 13 CFR part 127) means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States, and the concern is certified by SBA or an approved third-party certifier in accordance with 13 CFR 127.300.
(b)
(1) The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is **541519**.
(2) The small business size standard is **150 employees**.
(3) The small business size standard for a concern that submits an offer, other than on a construction or service acquisition, but proposes to furnish an end item that it did not itself manufacture, process, or produce (*i.e.*, nonmanufacturer), is 500 employees, or 150 employees for information technology value-added resellers under NAICS code 541519, if the acquisition—
(i) Is set aside for small business and has a value above the simplified acquisition threshold;
(ii) Uses the HUBZone price evaluation preference regardless of dollar value, unless the offeror waives the price evaluation preference; or
(iii) Is an 8(a), HUBZone, service-disabled veteran-owned, economically disadvantaged women-owned, or women-owned small business set-aside or sole-source award regardless of dollar value.
(c) *Representations*.
(1) The offeror represents as part of its offer that—
(i) it ☐ is, ☐ is not a small business concern; or
(ii) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a small business joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR 121.103(h) and 13 CFR 125.8(a) and (b). [*The offeror shall enter the name and unique entity identifier of each party to the joint venture: __.*]
(2) [*Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.]* The offeror represents that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a women-owned small disadvantage business concern.
(3) *Women-owned small business (WOSB) joint venture eligible under the WOSB Program*. The offeror represents as part of its offer that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR 127.506(a) through (c). [*The offeror shall enter the name and unique entity identifier of each party to the joint venture: __.*]
(4) *Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) joint venture*. The offeror represents as part of its offer that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR 127.506(a) through (c). [*The offeror shall enter the name and unique entity identifier of each party to the joint venture: __.*]
(5) *SDVOSB joint venture eligible under the SDVOSB Program*. [*Complete only if the offeror is certified as a SDVOSB concern*]. The offeror represents as part of its offer that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a SDVOSB joint venture eligible under the SDVOSB Program that

complies with the requirements of 13 CFR 128.402. [*The offeror shall enter the name and unique entity identifier of each party to the joint venture:*__.]
(6) *HUBZone joint venture eligible under the HUBZone Program*. [*Complete only if the offeror is a HUBZone small business concern.*] The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a HUBZone joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR 126.616(a) through (c). [*The offeror shall enter the name and unique entity identifier of each party to the joint venture:* __.] Each HUBZone small business concern participating in the HUBZone joint venture must be certified as a HUBZone concern.
(d) *Notice*. Under 15 U.S.C. 645(d), any person who misrepresents a firm's status as a business concern that is small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, service-disabled veteran-owned small, economically disadvantaged women-owned small, or women-owned small eligible under the WOSB Program in order to obtain a contract to be awarded under the preference programs established pursuant to section 8, 9, 15, 31, and 36 of the Small Business Act or any other provision of Federal law that specifically references section 8(d) for a definition of program eligibility, will be—
(1) Punished by imposition of fine, imprisonment, or both;
(2) Subject to administrative remedies, including suspension and debarment; and
(3) Ineligible for participation in programs conducted under the authority of the Act.

(End of provision)

52.233-2 Service of Protest (APR 2026)
(a) Protests, (as defined in FAR 33.102), that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the Government Accountability Office (GAO), must be served on the Contracting Officer identified in the solicitation by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from them.
(b) The copy of any protest must be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

(End of provision)

52.252-5 Authorized Deviations in Provisions (NOV 2020)
(a) The use in this solicitation of any Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 1) provision with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the date of the provision.
(b) The use in this solicitation of any Health and Human Services Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 3) provision with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the name of the regulation.

(End of provision)

52.252-6 Authorized Deviations in Clauses (NOV 2020)
(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 Health and Human Services Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR Chapter 3) clause with an authorized deviation is indicated by the addition of "(DEVIATION)" after the name of the regulation.

(End of clause)

HHSAR 352.232-71 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF PAYMENT REQUESTS (APR 2026) (RFO DEVIATION)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause –

Payment request means a bill, voucher, invoice, or request for contract financing payment with associated supporting documentation. The payment request must comply with the requirements in FAR 32.905(b) and the applicable payment clause included in this contract.

(b) Submission instructions. Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this clause, the Contractor must submit payment requests electronically using the Department of Treasury Invoice Processing Platform (IPP) or successor system. Information regarding IPP, including IPP Customer Support contact information, is available at www.ipp.gov or any successor site.

(c) Alternate submission procedures. The Contractor may submit payment requests using other than IPP only when the Contracting Officer authorizes alternate procedures in writing.

(d) Submission of alternate payment procedures authorization. If alternate payment procedures are authorized, the Contractor must include a copy of the Contracting Officer's written authorization with each payment request.

(End of clause)

HHSAR 352.239-78 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY ACCESSIBILITY NOTICE (FEB 2024) (DEVIATION)

(a) Any offeror responding to this solicitation must comply with established HHS Information and Communication Technology (ICT) accessibility standards. Information about Section 508 is available at https://www.hhs.gov/web/section-508/index.html.

(b) The Section 508 accessibility standards applicable to this solicitation are stated in the clause at 352.239-79 Information and Communication Technology Accessibility. In order to facilitate the Government's determination whether proposed ICT supplies, products, platforms, information, and documentation meet applicable Section 508 accessibility standards, offerors must submit an appropriate HHS Section 508 Accessibility Conformance Checklist (see https://www.hhs.gov/web/section-508/accessibility-checklists/index.html) or an Accessibility Conformance Report (ACR) (based on the Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) see https://www.itic.org/policy/accessibility/vpat), in accordance with the completion instructions. The purpose of the checklists and conformance reports are to assist HHS acquisition and program officials in determining whether proposed ICT supplies, products, platforms, information, and documentation conform to applicable Section 508 accessibility standards. Checklists and ACRs evaluate—in detail—whether the ICT conforms to specific Section 508 accessibility standards and identifies remediation efforts needed to address conformance issues.

(c) If an offeror claims its supplies or services meet applicable Section 508 accessibility standards, and it is later determined by the Government, i.e., after award of a contract or order, that supplies, products, platforms, information, documentation, or services support delivered do not conform to the described accessibility standards, remediation of the supplies, products, platforms, information, documentation, or services support

to the level of conformance specified in the contract will be the responsibility of the Contractor at its expense.
(d) In order to facilitate the Government's determination whether proposed ICT supplies meet applicable Section 508 accessibility standards, offerors must submit an Accessibility Conformance Report, in accordance with its completion instructions and tailored to the requirements in the solicitation. The purpose of the Report is to assist HHS acquisition and program officials in determining whether proposed ICT supplies conform to applicable Section 508 accessibility standards. The template allows offerors or developers to self-evaluate their supplies and document, in detail, whether they conform to a specific Section 508 accessibility standard, and any underway remediation efforts addressing conformance issues. Instructions for preparing the HHS Section 508 Evaluation Template are available at https://Section508.gov/.
(e) In order to facilitate the Government's determination whether proposed ICT services meet applicable Section 508 accessibility standards, offerors must provide enough information to assist the Government in determining that the ICT services conform to Section 508 accessibility standards, including any underway remediation efforts addressing conformance issues.
(f) Respondents to this solicitation must identify any inability to conform to Section 508 requirements. If an offeror claims its supplies or services meet applicable Section 508 accessibility standards, and it is later determined by the Government, i.e., after award of a contract or order, that supplies or services delivered do not conform to the described accessibility standards, remediation of the supplies or services to the level of conformance specified in the contract will be the responsibility of the Contractor at its expense.
(g) Items delivered as electronic content must be accessible to HHS acceptance criteria. Checklist for various formats are available at http://508.hhs.gov/. Materials, other than items incidental to contract management, that are final items for delivery should be accompanied by the appropriate checklist, except upon approval of the Contracting Officer or Contracting Officer's Representative.

(End of provision)

HSSAR 352.239-79 INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY ACCESSIBILITY (FEB 2024) (DEVIATION)

(a) Pursuant to Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794d), as amended by the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, all information and communication technology (ICT) supplies, products, platforms, information, documentation, and services support developed, acquired, maintained or delivered under this contract or order must comply with the Revised 508 Standards, which are located at 36 C.F.R. 1194.1 and Appendices A, B, and C, and are available at https://www.access-board.gov/ict/. Information about Section 508 is available at https://www.hhs.gov/web/section-508/index.html.
(b) Additional Section 508 accessibility standards applicable to this contract or order may be identified in the specification, statement of work, or performance work statement. If it is determined by the Government that ICT supplies, products, platforms, information, documentation, and services support provided by the Contractor do not conform to the described accessibility standards in the contract, remediation of the supplies, products, platforms, information, documentation, or

services support to the level of conformance specified in the contract will be the responsibility of the Contractor at its own expense.
(c) In the event of a modification(s) to this contract or order, which adds new ICT supplies or services or revises the type of, or specifications for, supplies, products, platforms, information, documentation, or services support, the Contracting Officer shall require that the Contractor submit a completed HHS Section 508 Accessibility Conformance Checklist (see https://www.hhs.gov/web/section-508/accessibility-checklists/index.html) or an Accessibility Conformance Report (ACR) (based on the Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) see https://www.itic.org/policy/accessibility/vpat), and any other additional information necessary to assist the Government in determining that the ICT supplies or services conform to Section 508 accessibility standards. If it is determined by the Government that ICT supplies, products, platforms, information, documentation, and services support provided by the Contractor do not conform to the described accessibility standards in the contract, remediation of the supplies, products, platforms, information, documentation, or services support to the level of conformance specified in the contract will be the responsibility of the Contractor at its own expense.
(d) If this is an Indefinite-Delivery type contract, a Blanket Purchase Agreement or a Basic Ordering Agreement, the task/delivery order requests that include ICT supplies, products, platforms, information, documentation, or services support will define the specifications and accessibility standards for the order. In those cases, the Contractor shall be required to provide a completed HHS Section 508 Accessibility Conformance Checklist (see https://www.hhs.gov/web/section-508/accessibility-checklists/index.html) or an ACR (based on the VPAT see https://www.itic.org/policy/accessibility/vpat), and any other additional information necessary to assist the Government in determining that the ICT supplies, products, platforms, information, documentation, or services support conform to Section 508 accessibility standards. If it is determined by the Government that ICT supplies and services provided by the Contractor do not conform to the described accessibility standards in the provided documentation, remediation of the supplies, products, platforms, information, documentation, or services support to the level of conformance specified in the contract will be the responsibility of the Contractor at its own expense.
(e) The contractor shall identify to the Contracting Officer any perceived exception or exemption to Section 508 requirements.

(End of clause)

Section J – List of Attachments

J-1: Statement of Work
J-2: Attachment 1 – Network Equipment Maintenance Contract – Equipment List
J-3: IEE Representation Form

Section L – Instructions, Conditions, and Notices to Offerors or Respondents

Quoters shall submit quotations that clearly demonstrate their ability to satisfy all technical requirements identified in Statement of Work and the Requirements Document attached. The Government intends to evaluate quotations and make award

without conducting exchanges; therefore, the initial quotation should contain the Quoter's best technical and price terms.

This requirement is set-aside 100% for Indian Small Business Economic Enterprise (ISBEE) vendors ONLY. Responses from other than ISBEE vendors will be deemed unresponsive, and will not be evaluated for award.

Quotations must include the following mandatory business information regarding your company and to be determined technically acceptable.

a. Vendor name on all file names for proper identification of quotes.
b. Socioeconomic Status and Business Size (Small, Woman-Owned, Disadvantaged, Hub-Zone, Large, Non- Profit, etc.).
c. Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)
d. Commercial and Government Entity Code (CAGE Code)
e. Federal Tax Identification Number (TIN: 9-Digits)
f. Confirmation the company information listed in the System for Award Management (SAM) is current and accurate at www.SAM.gov.
g. Complete and signed the Attachment J-3 IEE Representation Form and return it with your quote submission.

Requirements Document Pricing Instructions:

- Provide quote on the requirements listed in Attachment 1 – Network Equipment Maintenance Contract – Equipment List
- The quote shall provide product specifications for the specific items listed in the schedule, and all terms and conditions, as applicable. The quoter must be an authorized Cisco distributor/reseller for the quoted items in the schedule on the date of the quote submission. Proof of authorization shall be submitted with the quote.
- It is the responsibility of the quoter to ensure all calculations in the worksheet are correct and accurate.

Section M – Evaluation Criteria

Basis for Award

The Government will award an order resulting from this solicitation to the responsible quoter whose quote meets the requirements contained in this solicitation and is the lowest priced quote received in response to this solicitation. Therefore, award will be made to quoter whose quote is determined to be Lowest Price Technically Acceptable.

A written notice of award or acceptance of a quote mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful quoter within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the quote's specified expiration time, the Government may accept a quote, whether or not there are communications after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

Price:

The Government will evaluate proposed pricing for reasonableness, and may use:

- Comparison of prices received in response to RFQ;
- Comparison of prices to historical prices paid;
- Comparison of prices with Independent Government cost estimates.