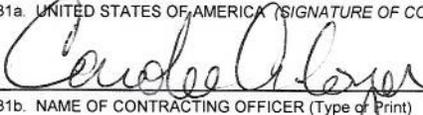


Pallet Rack Storage System

SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS				1. REQUISITION NUMBER		PAGE 1 OF 2	
OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, & 30							
2. CONTRACT NO.		3. AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE		4. ORDER NUMBER		5. SOLICITATION NUMBER	
						SPM070-10-Q-0017	
7. FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL		a. NAME Walter a Williams				b. TELEPHONE NUMBER(No collect calls) (507) 207-7119	
						8. OFFER DUE DATE/ March 31, 2010	
9. ISSUED BY U.S. Embassy Panama Clayton Bldg. 783 Demetrio Lakas Street Panama, Republic of Panama			10. THIS ACQUISITION IS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNRESTRICTED <input type="checkbox"/> SET ASIDE: % FOR <input type="checkbox"/> SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> 8(A) NAICS: SIZE STD:		11. DELIVERY FOR FOB DESTINATION UNLESS BLOCK IS MARKED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEE SCHEDULE <input type="checkbox"/> 13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A RATED ORDER UNDER DPAS (15 CFR 700) 13b. RATING		12. DISCOUNT TERMS
15. DELIVER TO Clayton Building Demetrio Lakas Street; Panama, R.P.			16. ADMINISTERED BY Carolee A Cooper, Contracting Officer				
17a. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR			18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY U.S. Embassy Panama Financial Management Officer Clayton Bldg. 783 Panama, Republic of Panama				
TELEPHONE NO.			18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS BLOCK BELOW IS CHECKED <input type="checkbox"/> SEE ADDENDUM				
<input type="checkbox"/> 17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER							
19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES			21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE	24. AMOUNT
001	Purchase of one Pallet Rack Storage System Note: Site visit scheduled at 9:30am on March 22, 2010 at the US Embassy Warehouse, Clayton Building #783, Demetrio B. Lakas Street. (Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)			1	EA		
25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA						26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ADDENDA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED. <input type="checkbox"/> 27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA <input type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED.							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN <u>2</u> COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED HEREIN.				<input type="checkbox"/> 29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REF. _____ OFFER DATED _____ YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE SET FORTH HEREIN, IS ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS:			
30a. SIGNATURE OF OFFEROR/CONTRACTOR				31a. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER) 			
30b. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (TYPE OR PRINT)		30c. DATE SIGNED		31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or Print)		31c. DATE SIGNED	
				Carolee Cooper, Contracting Officer		3-17-2010	

19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES	21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE	24. AMOUNT

32a. QUANTITY IN COLUMN 21 HAS BEEN

RECEIVED INSPECTED ACCEPTED, AND CONFORMS TO THE CONTRACT, EXCEPT AS NOTED: _____

32b. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE		32c. DATE	32d. PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE		
32e. MAILING ADDRESS OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE			32f. TELEPHONE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE		
			32g. E-MAIL OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE		
33. SHIP NUMBER	34. VOUCHER NUMBER	35. AMOUNT VERIFIED CORRECT FOR	36. PAYMENT	37. CHECK NUMBER	
PARTIAL	FINAL		<input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE <input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> FINAL		
38. S/R ACCOUNT NO.	39. S/R VOUCHER NO.	40. PAID BY			
41a. I CERTIFY THIS ACCOUNT IS CORRECT AND PROPER FOR PAYMENT		41b. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF CERTIFYING OFFICER		41c. DATE	
				42a. RECEIVED BY (PRINT)	
				42b. RECEIVED AT (Location)	
				42c. DATE REC'D (YY/MM/DD)	42d. TOTAL CONTAINERS

SECTION 1

THE SCHEDULE
CONTINUATION TO SF-1449, RFQ NUMBER SPM070-10-Q-0017
PRICES, BLOCK 23

I. Scope of Services

- A. The contractor shall deliver a *steel pre-configured pallet rack storage system*, based on the scope of work described on next page (page 5) to the *U.S. Embassy Panama*.
- B. This is firm-fixed price type of purchase order/contract.
- C. The price listed below shall include all labor, materials, overhead, profit and transportation necessary to deliver and install the required items to the *US Embassy Panama*, located in *Clayton Bldg 783, Demetrio Basilio Lakas Street*.
- D. All prices are in *US Dollars*.

II. Pricing

Item	Description	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Total Price
01	Steel pre-configured pallet rack storage system	EA	1	\$
Grand Total				\$

**CONTINUATION TO SF-1449, RFQ NUMBER SPM070-10-Q-0017
SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES, BLOCK 20
DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT**

I. Description of Project:

Replace the existing cantilever rack storage system by a new steel pre-configured pallet rack storage system as shown on the Level2 – Warehouse Plan attached to this SOW.

Existing Condition: The Residential General Purpose Room 111 has a cantilever Rack Metal Storage Shelving System. It is a factory-formed, field-assembled, cantilever rack storage system, single sided and double sided capable of supporting a load weight of 8,500 Kg, each side. Nominal shelving system height is 6 meters. Cantilever arms are 1.2 m in length and 100mm deep. Uprights are bolted to floor thick. There are bracings between uprights as appropriate. The single sided sections against the walls have similar design.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

Purchase and installation of one steel pre-configured pallet rack storage system with the following specifications:

1. Sixty (60) modular units of Global Tear drop pallet racks 240” Height, by 42” Depth, and 96” Long, Capacity of 28,000lbs @ 36” beam spacing, modules shall be provided in fourteen (14) groups of three (3) modules and nine (9) groups of two (2) modules. See attached drawing for Floor Plan Layout

Modules shall consist of the following:

- *Eighty Three (83) Pallet Rack Tear Drop Upright Frames and accessories 240” H x 42” D.*
 - *Six hundred (600) beams 96” length.*
 - *Six hundred (600) steel wire mesh decking 42”D by 46” L(two 46” L per level for module with 96” beam length).*
 - *Row spacers 12 inches” Long, Wall brackets 6 inches Long, and floor anchor bolts ½ inch diameter x 4-1/2 inches Long as recommended by the manufacturer.*
2. Remove of existing rack metal shelving system.
 3. Removal of construction and installation debris from the area daily, and before final acceptance of the work.

II. Delivery Location and Time

- A. The contractor shall deliver all ordered items to the ***U.S. Embassy Panama***. The address is:

US Embassy Panama Chancery
Demetrio Basilio Lakas Street
Panama City, Rep. of Panama

- B. The contractor shall deliver all items not later than thirty **(30)** days after date of contract/purchase order award.
- C. Any contractor personnel involved with the delivery of the items shall comply with standard U.S. Embassy regulations for receiving supplies. The Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) will be responsible for instructing contractor personnel at the time deliveries are made. Prior notice of at least **five working days will be required.**
- D. If delivery will be to the U.S. Embassy, delivery shall be made between the hours of **8:00am through 5:00pm, Monday through Friday and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.**

Note: Site walk through scheduled at 1:00pm, on March 22, 2010, at the US Embassy Warehouse, Clayton Building #783, Demetrio B. Lakas Street.

SECTION 2
CONTRACT CLAUSES

FAR 52.212-4, Contract Terms and Conditions -- Commercial Items (FEB 2007), is incorporated by reference. (See SF-1449, block 27b).

ADDENDUM TO 52.212-4

None

52.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (SEPT 2007)

- (a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:
- (1) 52.233-3, Protest after Award (AUG 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553);
 - (2) 52.233-4, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (OCT 2004) (Pub. L. 108-77, 108-78).
- (b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the contracting officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

Clause Number and Title	
	(1) 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (SEPT 2006), with Alternate I (OCT 1995) (41 U.S.C. 253g and 10 U.S.C. 2402). [Check if order exceeds \$100,000]
	(2) – (16) [Reserved].
	(17) 52.222-19, Child Labor – Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (JAN 2006) (E.O. 13126). [Check if order is for supplies and exceeds the micro-purchase threshold]
	(18) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (FEB 1999). [Check if the following apply: for supplies, the order exceeds \$10,000 and is awarded to a U.S. firm. For services, the order exceeds \$10,000 and is awarded to a U.S. firm whose employees who will be performing the work were recruited within the U.S.]
	(19) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (MAR 2007) (E.O. 11246). [Check if the following apply: for supplies, the order exceeds \$10,000 and is awarded to a U.S. firm. For services, the order exceeds \$10,000 and is awarded to a U.S. firm whose employees who will be performing the work were recruited within the U.S.]
	(20) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (SEPT 2006) (38 U.S.C. 4212). [Check if

	the following apply: for supplies, the order exceeds \$100,000 and is awarded to a U.S. firm. For services, the order exceeds \$100,000 and is awarded to a U.S. firm whose employees who will be performing the work were recruited within the U.S.]
	(21) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 1998) (29 U.S.C. 793). [Check if the following apply: for supplies, the order exceeds \$10,000 and is awarded to a U.S. firm. For services, the order exceeds \$10,000 and is awarded to a U.S. firm whose employees who will be performing the work were recruited within the U.S.]
	(22) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (SEPT 2006) (38 U.S.C. 4212). [Check if you have included the clause 52.222-35]
	(23) 52.222-39, Notification of Employee Rights Concerning Payment of Union Dues or Fees (DEC 2004) (E.O. 13201) [Check if the order is for services and the amount exceeds \$100,000]
√	(24)(i) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (AUG 2007) [Check for all orders]
	(24)(i) Alternate I of 52.222-50 [Check if the contracting officer has been notified of specific U.S. directives or notices regarding combating trafficking in persons that apply to contractor employees]
	(25) – (27) [Reserved].
	(28) 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (AUG 2007) (19 U.S.C. 2501, et seq., 19 U.S.C. 3301 note). [Check if the order is for supplies or services that involve the acquisition of supplies and the amount exceeds \$193,000]
√	(29) 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (FEB 2006) (E.O.s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury). [Check if the order is for either supplies or services and the amount exceeds the micro-purchase threshold, unless authorized by OFAC]
	(30) – (33) [Reserved].
	(34) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer – Central Contractor Registration (OCT 2003) (31 U.S.C. 3332). [Check if payment will be made by EFT and the contractor has registered in the CCR]
√	(35) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer – Other than Central Contractor Registration (MAY 1999) (31 U.S.C. 3332). [Check if payment will be made by either EFT or other means, e.g., check, and the contractor has not registered in the CCR]
	(36) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (MAY 1999) (31 U.S.C. 3332). [Check if payment will be made by a third party, e.g., purchase card]
	(37) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (AUG 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a). [Check if the order is for information technology which requires security of information technology, and/or is for the design, development, or operation of a system of records using commercial information technology services or support services]
	(38)(i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (FEB 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241(b) and 10 U.S.C. 2631). [Check if the order is

	for supplies that may involve ocean transportation: at least 50% of the gross tonnage must be transported on privately owned U.S.-flag commercial vessels to the extent that such vessels are available at rates that are fair and reasonable for U.S.-flag commercial vessels]
	(ii) Alternate I (APR 2003) of 52.247-64. [Check if 100% of the supplies will be transported on privately owned U.S.-flag commercial vessels]

- (c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial items, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial Items:

	Clause Number and Title
	(1) – (4) [Reserved].
	(5) 52.237-11, Accepting and Dispensing of \$1 Coin (AUG 2007) (31 U.S.C. 5112(p)(1)). [Check if order is for services that involve business operations conducted in U.S. coin and currency, including vending machines]

- (d) Comptroller General Examination of Record. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, Audit and Records -- Negotiation.
- (1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.
 - (2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR Subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.
 - (3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.
- (e) (1) [This paragraph applies only if award is made to a U.S. firm, except for item (vii) which applies to all orders.] Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in paragraphs (i) through (vi) of this paragraph in a subcontract for commercial items.

Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause –

(i) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (MAY 2004) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds \$550,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.

(ii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (MAR 2007) (E.O. 11246).

(iii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (SEPT 2006) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

(iv) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 1998) (29 U.S.C. 793).

(v) 52.222-39, Notification of Employee Rights Concerning Payment of Union Dues or Fees (DEC 2004) (E.O. 13201).

(vi) [Reserved].

(vii) Combating Trafficking in Persons (AUG 2007) (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause 52.222-50.

(viii) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (FEB 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241(b) and 10 U.S.C. 2631). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64). (End of clause)

**ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT CLAUSES
FAR AND DOSAR CLAUSES NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12**

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: <http://acquisition.gov/far/index.html> or, <http://farsite.hill.af.mil/search.htm>

These addresses are subject to change. If the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is not available at the locations indicated above, use the Dept. of State Acquisition Website at <http://www.statebuy.state.gov> to see the links to the FAR. You may also use an Internet “search engine” (e.g., Yahoo, Excite, Alta Vista, etc.) to obtain the latest location of the most current FAR.

The following Federal Acquisition Regulation clauses are incorporated by reference:

<u>CLAUSE</u>	<u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
52.225-14	Inconsistency Between English Version and Translation of Contract (FEB 2000)
52.228-4	Workers’ Compensation and War-Hazard Insurance Overseas (APR 1984)
52.228-5	Insurance - Work on a Government Installation (JAN 1997)
52.245-2	Government Property Installation Operation Services - where USG providing property but contractor responsible for replacement (JUNE 2007)

The following clauses are provided in full text:

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR Chapter 6)
CLAUSES**

NUMBER	TITLE	DATE
652.225-71	Section 8(a) of the Export Administration Act of 1979, As Amended (if order exceeds \$100,000)	AUG 1999
652.228-71	Workers Compensation Insurance (Defense Base Act) – Services (for services to be performed overseas when the contract includes covered contractor employees as defined in paragraph (a) of the clause) Fill-in for paragraph (c): “(c) The current rate under the Department of State contract is [<i>contracting officer insert rate</i>] of compensation for services.”	JUNE 2006
652.229-70	Excise Tax Exemption Statement for Contractors Within	JUL 1988

	the United States (for supplies to be delivered to an overseas post)	
652.229-71	Personal Property Disposition at Posts Abroad	AUG 1999
652.237-72	Observance of Legal Holidays and Administrative Leave (for services where performance will be on-site in a Department of State facility)	APR 2004
652.239-71	Security Requirements for Unclassified Information Technology Resources (for orders that include information technology resources or services in which the contractor will have physical or electronic access to Department information that directly supports the mission of the Department)	SEP 2007
652.242-71	Notice of Shipments (for overseas shipment of supplies)	JUL 1988
652.243-70	Notices	AUG 1999

652.242-70 CONTRACTING OFFICER'S REPRESENTATIVE (COR) (AUG 1999)

- (a) The Contracting Officer may designate in writing one or more Government employees, by name or position title, to take action for the Contracting Officer under this contract. Each designee shall be identified as a Contracting Officer's Representative (COR). Such designation(s) shall specify the scope and limitations of the authority so delegated; provided, that the designee shall not change the terms or conditions of the contract, unless the COR is a warranted Contracting Officer and this authority is delegated in the designation.
- (b) The COR for this contract is *Johnny Shields, Facility Maintenance Specialist*.

652.242-73 AUTHORIZATION AND PERFORMANCE (AUG 1999)

- (a) The contractor warrants the following:
 - (1) That is has obtained authorization to operate and do business in the country or countries in which this contract will be performed;
 - (2) That is has obtained all necessary licenses and permits required to perform this contract; and,
 - (3) That it shall comply fully with all laws, decrees, labor standards, and regulations of said country or countries during the performance of this contract.
 - (4) If the party actually performing the work will be a subcontractor or joint venture partner, then such subcontractor or joint venture partner agrees to the requirements of paragraph (a) of this clause.

SECTION 3

SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

FAR 52.212-1, INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS -- COMMERCIAL ITEMS (NOV 2007), IS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE. (SEE SF-1449, BLOCK 27A).

ADDENDUM TO 52.212-1

None

ADDENDUM TO SOLICITATION PROVISIONS FAR AND DOSAR PROVISIONS NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12

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. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at:

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The following Federal Acquisition Regulation solicitation provisions are incorporated by reference:

<u>Clause</u>	<u>Title and Date</u>
52.204-6	Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number (JUN 1999)
52.214-34	Submission of Offers in the English Language (APR 1991)

The following DOSAR provision(s) is/are provided in full text:

652.206-70 COMPETITION ADVOCATE/OMBUDSMAN (AUG 1999)

- (a) The Department of State's Competition Advocate is responsible for assisting industry in removing restrictive requirements from Department of State solicitations and removing barriers to full and open competition and use of commercial items. If such a solicitation is considered competitively restrictive or does not appear properly conducive to competition and commercial practices, potential offerors are encouraged to first contact the contracting officer

for the respective solicitation. If concerns remain unresolved, contact the Department of State Competition Advocate on (703) 516-1680, by fax at (703) 875-6155, or write to: Department of State, Competition Advocate, Office of the Procurement Executive (A/OPE), Suite 603, SA-6, Washington, DC 20522-0602.

- (b) The Department of State's Acquisition Ombudsman has been appointed to hear concerns from potential offerors and contractors during the preaward and postaward phases of this acquisition. The role of the ombudsman is not to diminish the authority of the contracting officer, the Technical Evaluation Panel or Source Evaluation Board, or the selection official. The purpose of the ombudsman is to facilitate the communication of concerns, issues, disagreements, and recommendations of interested parties to the appropriate Government personnel, and work to resolve them. When requested and appropriate, the ombudsman will maintain strict confidentiality as to the source of the concern. The ombudsman does not participate in the evaluation of proposals, the source selection process, or the adjudication of formal contract disputes. Interested parties are invited to contact the contracting activity ombudsman, [insert name], at [insert telephone and fax numbers]. For an American Embassy or overseas post, refer to the numbers below for the Department Acquisition Ombudsman. Concerns, issues, disagreements, and recommendations which cannot be resolved at a contracting activity level may be referred to the Department of State Acquisition Ombudsman at (703) 516-1680, by fax at (703) 875-6155, or write to: Department of State, Acquisition Ombudsman, Office of the Procurement Executive (A/OPE), Suite 603, SA-6, Washington, DC 20522-0602.

Acquisition Method: The Government is conducting this acquisition using the simplified acquisition procedures in Part 13 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). If the dollar amount exceeds the simplified acquisition threshold, then the Government will be using the test program for commercial items authorized by Subpart 13.5 of the FAR.

SECTION 4

EVALUATION FACTORS

- Award will be made to the lowest price technically, acceptable, responsible quoter. The quoter shall submit a completed solicitation, including Sections 1 and 5.
- The Government reserves the right to reject proposals that are unreasonably low or high in price.
- Trade-in considerations.
- The Government will determine quoter acceptability. Acceptability will be determined by assessing the quoter's compliance with the terms of the RFQ.
- The Government will determine quoter responsibility by analyzing whether the apparent successful quoter complies with the requirements of FAR 9.1, including:
 - adequate financial resources or the ability to obtain them;
 - ability to comply with the required performance period, taking into consideration all existing commercial and governmental business commitments;
 - satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
 - necessary organization, experience, and skills or the ability to obtain them;
 - necessary equipment and facilities or the ability to obtain them; and
 - be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.

SECTION 5

REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

**52.212-3 OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS
(SEPT 2007)**

An offeror shall complete only paragraph (j) of this provision if the offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically at <http://orca.bpn.gov>. If an offeror has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically at the ORCA website, the offeror shall complete only paragraphs (b) through (i) of this provision.

(a) [Reserved]

(b) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) (26 U.S.C. 6109, 31 U.S.C. 7701). (Not applicable if the offeror is required to provide this information to a central contractor registration database to be eligible for award.)

(1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (b)(3) through (b)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325(d), reporting requirements of 26 U.S.C. 6041, 6041A, and 6050M and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

(2) The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 U.S.C. 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

(3) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).

___ TIN: _____.

___ TIN has been applied for.

___ TIN is not required because:

___ Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the U.S. and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;

___ Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;

___ Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.

(4) Type of Organization.

___ Sole Proprietorship;

___ Partnership:

___ Corporate Entity (not tax-exempt);

___ Corporate Entity (tax-exempt);

___ Government entity (Federal, State, or local);

___ Foreign government;

___ International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4;

___ Other _____.

(5) Common Parent.

___ Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent;

___ Name and TIN of common parent;

Name _____.

TIN _____.

(c) – (d) Reserved]

(e) Certification Regarding Payments to Influence Federal Transactions (31 U.S.C. 1352). (Applies only if the contract is expected to exceed \$100,000.) By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the award of any resultant contract. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contact on behalf of the offeror with respect to this contract, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its offer, OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to provide the name of the registrants. The offeror need not report regularly employed officers or employees of the offeror to whom payments of reasonable compensation were made.

(f) – (g) Reserved

(h) Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension or Ineligibility for Award (Executive Order 12549). (Applies only if the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.) The offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror and/or any of its principals--

(1) [] Are, [] are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency; and

(2) [] Have, [] have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a Federal, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and

(3) [] Are, [] are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses.

(i) Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products (Executive Order 13126). [The Contracting Officer must list in paragraph (i)(1) any end products being acquired under this solicitation that are included in the List of Products Requiring Contractor Certification as to Forced or Indentured Child Labor, unless excluded at 22.1503(b).]

- (1) Listed end products.

Listed End Product	Listed Countries of Origin

- (2) Certification. [If the Contracting Officer has identified end products and countries of origin in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision, then the offeror must certify to either (i)(2)(i) or (i)(2)(ii) by checking the appropriate block.]

(i) The offeror will not supply any end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product.

(ii) The offeror may supply an end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product. The offeror certifies that it has made a good faith effort to determine whether forced or indentured child labor was used to mine, produce, or manufacture any such end product furnished under this contract. On the basis of those efforts, the offeror certifies that it is not aware of any such use of child labor.

- (j) Place of manufacture. (Does not apply unless the solicitation is predominantly for the acquisition of manufactured end products.) 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.

- (k) (1) Annual Representations and Certifications. Any changes provided by the offeror in paragraph (k)(2) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications posted on the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA) website.

(2) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the ORCA website at <http://orca.bpn.gov>. After reviewing the ORCA database information, the offeror verifies by submission of this offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically at FAR 52.212–3, Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items, have been entered or updated in the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201), except for paragraphs _____.