



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE SUSTAINMENT CENTER (AFMC)  
TINKER AIR FORCE BASE OKLAHOMA



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MEMORANDUM FOR AFSC/PZIM Contracting Officer

FROM: OC-ALC OBCA

SUBJECT: Brand Name Justification for [REDACTED] 20S048 Panelboard Items

1. The 76th MXSG is requesting utilization of funds for the purchase Square D electrical panelboard items. MXSG have consistently purchased and utilized Square D equipment for previous White House projects.
2. The Square D brand is the only brand that will interface with the existing materials and provide safe and trouble-free connections. Market research did not reveal any other brands that were cross compatible with the functionality required. Other manufacturer's parts would require modification and void the UL listing. In keeping these materials, the same brand between buildings, we are allowing for quick responses to outages and equipment failures where we will be able to borrow non-critical equipment from other White Houses. During the global shipping crisis, we still find ourselves in, our ability to respond to emergency situations has been severely limited. The additional components must be Square D to be compatible with the material that has already been purchased. All installation will occur on site by trained Tinker Air Force Base technicians.
3. Due to constrictions on White House 7 construction schedule, materials may need to be borrowed from White House 6 (whose construction will be happening alongside White House 7). for this to be feasible, both buildings will need to utilize Square D equipment to ensure compatibility.
4. Market research was performed reviewing Dynamic Small Business Search (DSBS) and System for Award Management (SAM) databases using North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Code (335999) looking for companies that could provide M23-014 20S048 Panelboard Items. A review of small businesses to include 8(a), HUBZone, Service Disabled Veteran Owned Business, and Women Owned Small Business was conducted in search of a company that could provide Panelboard Items. I post a RFI to GSA, RFQ ID: 1610344, sent to 211 vendors, two vendors have responded with a ROM. In review there are three sources that can provide this commodity for this acquisition.
5. Point of contact for this memorandum is [REDACTED]

6. I have determined, in accordance with FAR 13, that the circumstances of this contract action deem a specific brand name to be required.

