

Solicitation Number 12805B23Q0784
Remove and Replace Furnace, A/C, and Ductwork
PA Northern Plains Agricultural Research Laboratory
Sidney, MT

The Agricultural Research Service, Plains Area Administrative office, Acquisition and Personal Property office intends to solicit and award a single firm-fixed-price contract for the removal and replacement of a furnace, air conditioner, and ductwork in Sidney, MT. This is a combined synopsis/solicitation for commercial items prepared under Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 12.6 – Streamlined Procedures for Evaluation and Solicitation for Commercial Items and supplemented with additional information included in this notice. This announcement constitutes the only solicitation; offers are being requested and a written solicitation will not be issued. This combined synopsis/solicitation is issued under Request for Quotation (RFQ) number 12805B23Q0784.

This requirement is being solicited as a 100% Total Small Business set-aside under NAICS code 238220, Plumbing, Heating, and Air-Conditioning Contractors. The size standard is \$19.0M.

All FAR references are based off FAC 2023-04, Effective 2 June 2023.

This firm-fixed-priced award will be awarded as firm-fixed price contract for delivery 90 days ARO.

FAR 52.212-1, Instructions to Offerors-Commercial, is applicable to this acquisition. An addendum will be added on page 12.

FAR 52.212-2, Evaluation of Offerors, is applicable to this acquisition.

The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. FAR Part 13 Simplified Acquisition Procedures utilizing Lowest Priced Technically Acceptable (LPTA) factors will be used for the evaluation process. The following factors shall be used to evaluate offers:

1. Technical Factor #1. Vendor supplied specifications for units provided. Failure to provide these specifications OR failure of the specifications to not meet the requirements stated in the SOW shall cause the vendor to be rated unacceptable.

2. Technical Factor #2. Provide documented experience. Failure to provide two recent and relevant references, to include current contact information, in addition to a brief description of the work will result in the offeror being found unacceptable. If references provided do not offer a satisfactory or better check, the vendor may be found unacceptable.

If an offeror receives an adjectival rating of “unacceptable” in any factor they may not be eligible for contract award.

Offeror must sign and date the 52.212-1 Addendum found of page 12, along with all amendments posted to beta.sam.gov for 12805B23Q0784.

FAR Clause 52.212-4, Contract Terms and Conditions-Commercial Items, applies to this acquisition and no addendum has been added.

FAR Clause 52.212-5, Contract Terms and Conditions Required to Implement Statutes or Executive Orders-Commercial Items, applies to this acquisition and applicable clauses within 52.212-5 to this acquisition have been marked with three X's.

Other additional FAR Clauses have been added to this synopsis/solicitation. If they are incorporated by reference in this synopsis/solicitation, use acquisition.gov to read them in their entirety.

Submittals Formats: Only Electronic submissions via email will be accepted due to Contract Specialist working remotely.

Quotes are due to the Contract Specialist, Mr. David Hildebrand, at david.hildebrand@usda.gov by 12:00 PM (CDT) 17 Aug 2023.

For information regarding this synopsis/solicitation, please contact Mr. David Hildebrand at david.hildebrand@usda.gov. Only written submitted questions will be given a response. They will be answered via a Questions from Industry posting to sam.gov. Due to USDA-ARS operating remotely, Mr. Hildebrand is only available via email.

Notice to Offeror(s): The Government reserves the right to cancel this solicitation, either before or after the closing date. In the event the Government cancels this solicitation, the Government has no obligation to reimburse an offeror for any costs incurred.

Site Visit: N/A

Questions must be submitted in writing via email to david.hildebrand@usda.gov. Questions received after Aug 15th may not receive a response. Responses will be posted to sam.gov in a document titled Questions from Industry. You will not receive a direct response.

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>

<https://www.acquisition.gov/agar>

52.204-13	System for Award Management Maintenance (Oct 2018)
52.204-18	Commercial and Government Entity Code Maintenance (Aug 2020)
52.204-19	Incorporation by Reference of Representations and Certifications (Dec 2014)
52.212-4	Contract Terms and Conditions—Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Dec 2022)
52.228-5	Insurance-Work on a Government Installation (Jan 1997)
52.232-1	Payments (Apr 1984)
52.232-40	Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Nov 2021)
52.237-2	Protection of Government Buildings, Equipment, and Vegetation (Apr 1984)

(End of clause)

452.211-74 Period of Performance.

Period of Performance (FEB 1988)

The delivery date of this contract is 90 days after receipt of order.

(End of clause)

52.212-5 Contract Terms and Conditions Required To Implement Statutes or Executive Orders—Commercial Products and Commercial Services. (June 2023)

(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 products and commercial services:

- (1) [52.203-19](#), Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).
- (2) [52.204-23](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (Nov 2021) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).
- (3) [52.204-25](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (Nov 2021) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).
- (4) [52.209-10](#), Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (Nov 2015).
- (5) [52.232-40](#), Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Mar 2023) ([31 U.S.C. 3903](#) and [10 U.S.C. 3801](#)).
- (6) [52.233-3](#), Protest After Award (Aug 1996) ([31 U.S.C. 3553](#)).

(7) [52.233-4](#), Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (Oct 2004) (Public Laws 108-77 and 108-78 ([19 U.S.C. 3805 note](#))).

(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 products and commercial services:

___ (1) [52.203-6](#), Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (Jun 2020), with *Alternate I* (Nov 2021) ([41 U.S.C. 4704](#) and [10 U.S.C. 4655](#)).

___ (2) [52.203-13](#), Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Nov 2021) ([41 U.S.C. 3509](#))).

___ (3) [52.203-15](#), Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Jun 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5). (Applies to contracts funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.)

XXX (4) [52.204-10](#), Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (Jun 2020) (Pub. L. 109-282) ([31 U.S.C. 6101 note](#)).

___ (5) [Reserved].

___ (6) [52.204-14](#), Service Contract Reporting Requirements (Oct 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).

___ (7) [52.204-15](#), Service Contract Reporting Requirements for Indefinite-Delivery Contracts (Oct 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).

XXX (8) [52.204-27](#), Prohibition on a ByteDance Covered Application (Jun 2023) (Section 102 of Division R of Pub. L. 117-328).

XXX (9) [52.209-6](#), Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (Nov 2021) ([31 U.S.C. 6101 note](#)).

___ (10) [52.209-9](#), Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Oct 2018) ([41 U.S.C. 2313](#)).

___ (11) [Reserved].

___ (12) [52.219-3](#), Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (Oct 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 657a](#)).

___ (13) [52.219-4](#), Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (Oct 2022) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) ([15 U.S.C. 657a](#)).

___ (14) [Reserved]

XXX (15)(i) [52.219-6](#), Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2020) ([15 U.S.C. 644](#)).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of [52.219-6](#).

___ (16)(i) [52.219-7](#), Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2020) ([15 U.S.C. 644](#)).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of [52.219-7](#).

___ (17) [52.219-8](#), Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(2\)](#) and (3)).

___ (18)(i) [52.219-9](#), Small Business Subcontracting Plan (Oct 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(4\)](#)).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Nov 2016) of [52.219-9](#).

___ (iii) Alternate II (Nov 2016) of [52.219-9](#).

___ (iv) Alternate III (Jun 2020) of [52.219-9](#).

___ (v) Alternate IV (Sep 2021) of [52.219-9](#).

___ (19)(i) [52.219-13](#), Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (Mar 2020) ([15 U.S.C. 644\(r\)](#)).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of [52.219-13](#).

___ (20) [52.219-14](#), Limitations on Subcontracting (Oct 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637s](#)).

___ (21) [52.219-16](#), Liquidated Damages—Subcontracting Plan (Sep 2021) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(4\)\(F\)\(i\)](#)).

___ (22) [52.219-27](#), Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (Oct 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 657f](#)).

XXX (23)(i) [52.219-28](#), Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (Mar 2023) ([15 U.S.C. 632\(a\)\(2\)](#)).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of [52.219-28](#).

___ (24) [52.219-29](#), Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole-Source Award to, Economically Disadvantaged Women-

- Owned Small Business Concerns (Oct 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(m\)](#)).
- __ (25) [52.219-30](#), Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole-Source Award to, Women-Owned Small Business Concerns Eligible Under the Women-Owned Small Business Program (Oct 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(m\)](#)).
- __ (26) [52.219-32](#), Orders Issued Directly Under Small Business Reserves (Mar 2020) ([15 U.S.C. 644\(r\)](#)).
- __ (27) [52.219-33](#), Nonmanufacturer Rule (Sep 2021) ([15U.S.C. 637\(a\)\(17\)](#)).
- XXX (28) [52.222-3](#), Convict Labor (Jun 2003) (E.O.11755).
- XXX (29) [52.222-19](#), Child Labor-Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (Dec 2022) (E.O.13126).
- XXX (30) [52.222-21](#), Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Apr 2015).
- XXX (31)(i) [52.222-26](#), Equal Opportunity (Sep 2016) (E.O.11246).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (Feb 1999) of [52.222-26](#).
- __ (32)(i) [52.222-35](#), Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jun 2020) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (Jul 2014) of [52.222-35](#).
- XXX (33)(i) [52.222-36](#), Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (Jun 2020) ([29 U.S.C. 793](#)).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (Jul 2014) of [52.222-36](#).
- __ (34) [52.222-37](#), Employment Reports on Veterans (Jun 2020) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).
- __ (35) [52.222-40](#), Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496).
- XXX (36)(i) [52.222-50](#), Combating Trafficking in Persons (Nov 2021) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78](#) and E.O. 13627).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2015) of [52.222-50](#) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78](#) and E.O. 13627).
- __ (37) [52.222-54](#), Employment Eligibility Verification (May 2022) (Executive Order 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types of commercial products or commercial services as prescribed in FAR [22.1803](#).)
- __ (38)(i) [52.223-9](#), Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA–Designated Items (May 2008) ([42 U.S.C. 6962\(c\)\(3\)\(A\)\(ii\)](#)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
- __ (ii) Alternate I (May 2008) of [52.223-9](#) ([42 U.S.C. 6962\(i\)\(2\)\(C\)](#)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
- XXX (39) [52.223-11](#), Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- XXX (40) [52.223-12](#), Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- __ (41)
- (i) [52.223-13](#), Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Imaging Equipment (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (Oct 2015) of [52.223-13](#).
- __ (42)
- (i) [52.223-14](#), Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Televisions (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (Jun2014) of [52.223-14](#).
- __ (43) [52.223-15](#), Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (May 2020) ([42 U.S.C. 8259b](#)).
- __ (44)
- (i) [52.223-16](#), Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Personal Computer Products (Oct 2015) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (Jun 2014) of [52.223-16](#).
- XXX (45) [52.223-18](#), Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (Jun 2020) (E.O. 13513).
- __ (46) [52.223-20](#), Aerosols (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- __ (47) [52.223-21](#), Foams (Jun2016) (E.O. 13693).
- __ (48)(i) [52.224-3](#) Privacy Training (Jan 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552 a).

- ___ (ii) Alternate I (Jan 2017) of [52.224-3](#).
- XXX** (49)(i) [52.225-1](#), Buy American-Supplies (Oct 2022) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 83](#)).
- ___ (ii) Alternate I (Oct 2022) of [52.225-1](#).
- ___ (50)(i) [52.225-3](#), Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act (Dec 2022) ([19 U.S.C. 3301 note](#), [19 U.S.C. 2112 note](#), [19 U.S.C. 3805 note](#), [19 U.S.C. 4001 note](#), 19 U.S.C. chapter 29 (sections 4501-4732), Public Law 103-182, 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-138, 112-41, 112-42, and 112-43.
- ___ (ii) Alternate I [Reserved].
- ___ (iii) Alternate II (Dec 2022) of [52.225-3](#).
- ___ (iv) Alternate III (Jan 2021) of [52.225-3](#).
- ___ (v) Alternate IV (Oct 2022) of [52.225-3](#).
- ___ (51) [52.225-5](#), Trade Agreements (Dec 2022) ([19 U.S.C. 2501](#), *et seq.*, [19 U.S.C. 3301 note](#)).
- XXX** (52) [52.225-13](#), Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (Feb 2021) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).
- ___ (53) [52.225-26](#), Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. Subtitle A, Part V, Subpart G Note).
- ___ (54) [52.226-4](#), Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) ([42 U.S.C. 5150](#)).
- ___ (55) [52.226-5](#), Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov2007) ([42 U.S.C. 5150](#)).
- ___ (56) [52.229-12](#), Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (Feb 2021).
- ___ (57) [52.232-29](#), Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Nov 2021) ([41 U.S.C. 4505](#), [10 U.S.C. 3805](#)).
- ___ (58) [52.232-30](#), Installment Payments for Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Nov 2021) ([41 U.S.C. 4505](#), [10 U.S.C. 3805](#)).
- XXX** (59) [52.232-33](#), Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management (Oct2018) ([31 U.S.C. 3332](#)).
- ___ (60) [52.232-34](#), Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-Other than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) ([31 U.S.C. 3332](#)).
- ___ (61) [52.232-36](#), Payment by Third Party (May 2014) ([31 U.S.C. 3332](#)).
- ___ (62) [52.239-1](#), Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996) ([5 U.S.C. 552a](#)).
- ___ (63) [52.242-5](#), Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Jan 2017) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(13\)](#)).
- ___ (64)
- (i) [52.247-64](#), Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Nov 2021) ([46 U.S.C. 55305](#) and [10 U.S.C. 2631](#)).
- ___ (ii) Alternate I (Apr 2003) of [52.247-64](#).
- ___ (iii) Alternate II (Nov 2021) of [52.247-64](#).
- (c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, 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 products and commercial services:
- XXX** (1) [52.222-41](#), Service Contract Labor Standards (Aug 2018) ([41 U.S.C. chapter67](#)).
- XXX** (2) [52.222-42](#), Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (May 2014) ([29 U.S.C. 206](#) and [41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).
- ___ (3) [52.222-43](#), Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (Aug 2018) ([29 U.S.C. 206](#) and [41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).
- ___ (4) [52.222-44](#), Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (May 2014)

([29U.S.C.206](#) and [41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

___ (5) [52.222-51](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

___ (6) [52.222-53](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (May 2014) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).

XXX (7) [52.222-55](#), Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (Jan 2022).

XXX (8) [52.222-62](#), Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (Jan 2022) (E.O. 13706).

___ (9) [52.226-6](#), Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Jun 2020) ([42 U.S.C. 1792](#)).

(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, as defined in FAR [2.101](#), on the date of award of this contract, 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) 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 this paragraph (e)(1), in a subcontract for commercial products or commercial services. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause-

(i) [52.203-13](#), Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Nov 2021) ([41 U.S.C. 3509](#)).

(ii) [52.203-19](#), Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).

(iii) [52.204-23](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (Nov 2021) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).

(iv) [52.204-25](#), Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (Nov 2021) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).

(v) [52.204-27](#), Prohibition on a ByteDance Covered Application (Jun 2023) (Section 102 of Division R of Pub. L. 117-328).

(vi) [52.219-8](#), Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2022) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(2\)](#) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds the applicable threshold specified in FAR [19.702\(a\)](#) on the date of subcontract award, the subcontractor must include [52.219-8](#) in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.

- (vii) [52.222-21](#), Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Apr 2015).
 - (viii) [52.222-26](#), Equal Opportunity (Sep 2015) (E.O.11246).
 - (ix) [52.222-35](#), Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jun 2020) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).
 - (x) [52.222-36](#), Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (Jun 2020) ([29 U.S.C. 793](#)).
 - (xi) [52.222-37](#), Employment Reports on Veterans (Jun 2020) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).
 - (xii) [52.222-40](#), Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause [52.222-40](#).
 - (xiii) [52.222-41](#), Service Contract Labor Standards (Aug 2018) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).
 - (xiv)
 - (A) [52.222-50](#), Combating Trafficking in Persons (Nov 2021) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78](#) and E.O 13627).
 - (B) Alternate I (Mar 2015) of [52.222-50](#) ([22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627](#)).
 - (xv) [52.222-51](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).
 - (xvi) [52.222-53](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (May 2014) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 67](#)).
 - (xvii) [52.222-54](#), Employment Eligibility Verification (May 2022) (E.O. 12989).
 - (xviii) [52.222-55](#), Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (Jan 2022).
 - (xix) [52.222-62](#), Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (Jan 2022) (E.O. 13706).
 - (xx)
 - (A) [52.224-3](#), Privacy Training (Jan 2017) ([5 U.S.C. 552a](#)).
 - (B) Alternate I (Jan 2017) of [52.224-3](#).
 - (xxi) [52.225-26](#), Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. Subtitle A, Part V, Subpart G Note).
 - (xxii) [52.226-6](#), Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Jun 2020) ([42 U.S.C. 1792](#)). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause [52.226-6](#).
 - (xxiii) [52.232-40](#), Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Mar 2023) ([31 U.S.C. 3903](#) and [10 U.S.C. 3801](#)). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (c) of [52.232-40](#).
 - (xxiv) [52.247-64](#), Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Nov 2021) ([46 U.S.C. 55305](#) and [10 U.S.C. 2631](#)). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause [52.247-64](#).
- (2) While not required, the Contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial products and commercial services a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

(End of clause)

AGAR 452.204-70, Modification for Contract Closeout (DEVIATION JULY 2022)

“Upon contract closeout for contracts utilizing Simplified Acquisition Procedures (SAP) according to FAR Part 13.

- (a) If unobligated funds in the amount of \$1000 or less remain on the contract, the Contracting Officer (CO) shall issue a unilateral modification for deobligation. The contractor will receive a copy of the modification but will not be required to provide a signature. The CO shall immediately proceed with contract closeout upon completion of the period of performance, receipt and acceptance of supplies or services, and final payment.

(b) If unobligated funds of more than \$1000 remain on the contract, the CO shall issue a bilateral modification for deobligation. The contractor will receive a copy of the modification and will be required to provide a signature. (The CO may also request a Release of Claims be completed by the contractor, although not required for contract and orders using SAP.) If the bilateral modification and Release of Claims are not returned to the CO within 60 days, the CO shall release the modification as unilateral and proceed with contract closeout upon completion of the period of performance, receipt and acceptance of supplies or services, and final payment.”

(End of clause)

INVOICES: To invoice, a vendor must first enroll in the Invoice Processing Platform (IPP) by visiting <https://www.ipp.gov/vendors/index.htm>. Once enrolled, all invoices must be submitted electronically through IPP. The IPP is a government-wide secure web-based payment information service offered free of charge to government agencies and their suppliers by the U.S. Department of Treasury’s Financial Management Service (FMS).

One-time enrollment in IPP means that you will receive a series of e-mails from Treasury services. The first email will have the IPP Logon ID and link to the IPP application. A second e-mail, containing the password will be sent within 24 hours. Once you receive these emails, please login to the IPP application and complete the registration process.

Benefits of registering with IPP include the ability for your company to create invoices directly from a contract award and submit them electronically, as well as:

- E-mail notification when invoice(s) are paid
- Online payment history
- Remittance download

E-mail notifications of payments are sent when a payment is distributed to your bank account and will include all pertinent payment information. The IPP Customer Support Desk is available to assist users Monday through Friday (excluding bank holidays) from 8:00AM - 6:00PM ET, including answering any questions related to accessing IPP or completing the registration process. Their toll-free number is (866) 973-3131 or they can be reached at: IPPCustomerSupport@fms.treas.gov.

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ATTACHMENTS

1. Statement of Work
2. Wage Determination 2015-5395 Rev 20 Dated 23 July 2023

Provisions:

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>

<https://www.acquisition.gov/agar>

(End of provision)

- 52.204-7 System for Award Management (Oct 2018)
- 52.204-16 Commercial and Government Entity Code Reporting (Aug 2020)
- 52.204-17 Ownership or Control of Offeror (Aug 2020)
- 52.204-20 Predecessor of Offeror (Aug 2020)
- 52.204-22 Alternative Line Item Proposal (Jan 2017)
- 52.204-24 Representation Regarding Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (Nov 2021)
- 52.204-26 Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation (Oct 2020)
- 52.209-2 Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations—Representation (Nov 2015)
- 52.209-11 Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law (Feb 2016)
- 52.212-1 Instructions to Offerors—Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Nov 2021)
- 52.212-3 Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Dec 2022)
- 52.219-1 Small Business Program Representations (Oct 2022)

52.216-1 Type of Contract (Apr 1984)

The Government contemplates award of a single FFP contract resulting from this solicitation.

(End of provision)

52.225-2 Buy American Certificate (Oct 2022)

(a)

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

(2) The Offeror shall list as 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".

(3) The Offeror shall separately list the line item numbers of domestic end products that contain a critical component (see FAR [25.105](#)).

(b) Foreign End Products:

(4) The terms "commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item," "critical component," "domestic end product," "end product," and "foreign end product" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Supplies."

Line Item No.

Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(c) Domestic end products containing a critical component:

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)

452.204-70 Inquiries.

Inquiries (FEB 1988)

Inquiries and all correspondence concerning this solicitation should be submitted in writing to the Contracting Officer. Offerors should contact only the Contracting Officer issuing the solicitation about any aspect of this requirement prior to contract award.

(End of provision)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF OFFERS (FAR 52.212-1) – ADDENDUM

Solicitation documentation and any issued amendments will be posted to <https://sam.gov/> . This the only official location where these documents can be obtained and where updates are posted. No hard copy solicitation materials are available.

Offerors shall provide all requested information referenced in this section. Failure to provide all requested information may result in the offer not being considered for further evaluation. Representations and Certifications from sam.gov will be pulled by USDA contracting personnel. IF foreign end products are being offered in your quote, you must fill out provision 52.225-2 on page 12 and return as well.

Offers shall submit required documents via email to david.hildebrand@usda.gov

All items being procured under this solicitation are identified. Items being procured:

Remove and Replace Furnace, A/C, and Ductwork per Attachment 1, SOW.

VENDOR SUBMISSION DOCUMENTS

1. Transmittal Summary Letter. A summary cover letter of the submission should provide at a minimum the following information: 1) Identify the point of contact, current phone number and email address. 2) Unique Entity ID. 3) Pricing Information. IF filling out Provision 52.225-2, attach to the transmittal letter.
2. Vendors shall provide products specifications for products they intend to install. Products shall meet the specifications of the units required in the SOW.
3. Vendors shall provide at least two (2) reference that demonstrates recent and relevant experience doing this type of work. References may be federal or non-federal customers. Reference information shall include brief project description, location of work, and current point of contact information (phone or email) to an individual with knowledge of the project.
4. This page signed and dated, along with any SF 30's posted to sam.gov.

All submissions shall be timely and submitted in .pdf or Microsoft Office formats and emailed to the Contract Specialist below. They may be submitted as individual files or submitted as one consolidated file. The total submitted package shall not exceed a file size of 20MB.

Contract Specialist: david.hildebrand@usda.gov

Authorized Signature

Date

Evaluation Factors:

52.212-2 Evaluation—Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Nov 2021)

(a) The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. The following factors shall be used to evaluate offers:

1. Technical Factor #1. Vendor supplied specifications for units provided. Failure to provide these specifications OR failure of the specifications to not meet the requirements stated in the SOW shall cause the vendor to be rated unacceptable.

2. Technical Factor #2. Provide documented experience. Failure to provide two recent and relevant references, to include current contact information, in addition to a brief description of the work will result in the offeror being found unacceptable. If references provided do not offer a satisfactory or better check, the vendor may be found unacceptable.

(b) A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer, mailed or otherwise 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)