

<b>SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, &amp; 30</b>				1. REQUISITION NUMBER 1000169041	<b>PAGE 1 OF 68</b>	
2. CONTRACT NO.	3. AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE	4. ORDER NUMBER	5. SOLICITATION NUMBER SPE302-23-R-X001	6. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE 2023 MAY 25		
7. FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL:	a. NAME Andrew Grove DAG0110		b. TELEPHONE NUMBER (No Collect calls) Phone:		8. OFFER DUE DATE/ LOCAL TIME 2023 JUN 26 07:00 AM	
	9. ISSUED BY  DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC 1025 QUINCY AVE, SUITE 1000 JBP HH HI 96860-3520 USA	CODE SPE302	10. THIS ACQUISITION IS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> SERVICE-DISABLED <input type="checkbox"/> VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS		<input type="checkbox"/> UNRESTRICTED OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SET ASIDE: <u>100</u> % FOR: <input type="checkbox"/> WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (WOSB) ELIGIBLE UNDER THE WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM <input type="checkbox"/> EDWOSB NAICS: 311991 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 (A) SIZE STANDARD: 700	
11. DELIVERY FOR FOB DESTINATION UNLESS BLOCK IS MARKED <input type="checkbox"/> SEE SCHEDULE	12. DISCOUNT TERMS		13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A RATED ORDER UNDER DPAS (15 CFR 700) <input type="checkbox"/>		13b. RATING	
15. DELIVER TO  SEE SCHEDULE		CODE	16. ADMINISTERED BY		CODE	
17a. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR  TELEPHONE NO.	CODE	FACILITY CODE	18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY		CODE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER			18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS BLOCK BELOW IS CHECKED <input type="checkbox"/> SEE ADDENDUM			
19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES		21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE	24. AMOUNT
	See Schedule  <i>(Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)</i>					
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>1</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			<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	

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

COMPLETE     PARTIAL     FINAL

38. S/R ACCOUNT NO.

39. S/R VOUCHER NUMBER

40. PAID BY

41a. I CERTIFY THIS ACCOUNT IS CORRECT AND PROPER FOR PAYMENT

42a. RECEIVED BY (*Print*)

41b. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF CERTIFYING OFFICER

41c. DATE

42b. RECEIVED AT (*Location*)

42c. DATE REC'D (*YY/MM/DD*)

42d. TOTAL CONTAINERS

BLOCK 8 (Continued):

OFFER DUE DATE/ LOCAL TIME: June 26, 2023 at 07:00AM HAWAII STANDARD TIME

BLOCK 9 (Continued):

Email is the acceptable form of transmission for submission of proposals. Emailed submissions should be sent to: Michael Juan; michael.juan@dla.mil and Jean Ross; jean.ross@dla.mil

This requirement is being solicited using FAR 13.5, Simplified Procedures for Certain Commercial Products and Commercial Services

NOTES:

INITIAL OFFERS:

- (1) The offer must be signed and completed in its entirety in accordance with the solicitation requirements.
- (2) Offerors are responsible for submitting proposals, and any revisions, and modifications, so as to reach the Government office by June 26, 2023 at 07:00AM HAWAII STANDARD TIME.
- (3) Facsimile offers are NOT authorized for this solicitation.
- (4) Offerors submitting proposals using email are advised that DLA Troop Support systems have certain email size and transmission limitations. Proposals must be prepared accordingly. Individual email attachments should not exceed 5MB in size, and no individual email should exceed more than 10 MB per email (multiple email submissions may be necessary). When submitting multiple emails as a proposal submission, label each email with a number (e.g., 1 of 8), accordingly. After transmitting an email submission, offerors should confirm receipt of all emails with the intended recipients. It is an offeror's responsibility to ensure its entire proposal is received by the date and time specified in the solicitation; emails should be transmitted in sufficient time to ensure and confirm receipt by the Government.

DISCUSSIONS/NEGOTIATIONS: As directed by the Contracting Officer, email may be used during discussions/negotiations, if discussions/negotiations are held, for proposal revision(s); including Final Proposal Revision(s). BLOCK 17A. (Continued):

OFFERORS: SPECIFY

CAGE CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY POC: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ BLOCK 17B. (Continued):

Remittance will be made to the address that the vendor has listed in the System for Award Management Database. (www.sam.gov). Offeror's assigned DUNS Number \_\_\_\_\_

(If you do not have a DUNS number, contact the individual identified in Block 7a of the SF 1449 or see 52.212-1, Instructions to Offerors - Commercial Products and Commercial Services (paragraph j) for information on contacting Dun and Bradstreet.)

BLOCKS 19-24 (Continued):

SEE SCHEDULE OF ITEMS (ATTACHMENT 1)

AUTHORIZED NEGOTIATORS:

The offeror represents that the following persons are authorized to negotiate on its behalf with the Government in connection with this request for proposal. Please list names, titles, email addresses, and telephone numbers for each authorized negotiator.

**Form****TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS**

THIS DOCUMENT INCORPORATES TECHNICAL AND/OR QUALITY REQUIREMENTS (IDENTIFIED BY AN 'R' OR AN 'I' NUMBER IN SECTION B) SET FORTH IN FULL TEXT IN THE DLA MASTER LIST OF TECHNICAL AND QUALITY REQUIREMENTS FOUND ON THE WEB AT:

<http://www.dla.mil/HQ/Acquisition/Offers/eProcurement.aspx>. FOR SIMPLIFIED ACQUISITIONS, THE REVISION OF THE MASTER IN EFFECT ON THE SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE OR THE AWARD DATE CONTROLS. FOR LARGE ACQUISITIONS, THE REVISION OF THE MASTER IN EFFECT ON THE RFP ISSUE DATE APPLIES UNLESS A SOLICITATION AMENDMENT INCORPORATES A FOLLOW-ON REVISION, IN WHICH CASE THE AMENDMENT DATE CONTROLS.

**PID Data - Custom Clause**

Insert (copy and paste) text for the PID information here

**CAUTION NOTICE****THE CONTENT AND STRUCTURE OF SOLICITATION SPE302-23-R-X001 IS NEW. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SUBMITTING YOUR OFFER.**

The awardee will be required to have a computer system capable of accepting delivery orders and processing Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) transactions. This contract will require the contractor to have electronic commerce/electronic data interchange EC/EDI capabilities.

All contractors who choose to conduct business with the Department of Defense must now be registered in the System of Award Management (SAM) database. In addition, we encourage all vendors who receive contract awards as a result of this solicitation to access the "Dynamic Small Business Search" feature of SAM to identify potential suppliers and teaming partners for this initiative. You may go to the System of Award Management at [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov) and click on the "Dynamic Small Business Search" button. When making your procurement decisions we encourage one's consideration of local business as a means to nurture small business and local economies.

All contractors who receive awards as a result of this initiative are encouraged to utilize the SBA SUBNet database to assist them in further identifying additional small business sources of supply. Vendors may post notices of sources sought for teaming partners and subcontractors on future contracts. Small business can review this web site to identify opportunities in their area of expertise. You may access the SBA PRONet database through the SBA Website at [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov).

**Included in your proposal submission**, offerors are required to substantiate Delivered Prices for all items in the Schedule of Items, with invoices / quotes for all groups offered **when requested**.

**CONTRACTOR CODE OF BUSINESS ETHICS (Nov 2021)**

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FAR Part 3.1002(a) requires all government contractors to conduct themselves with the highest degree of integrity and honesty. Contractors should have a written code of business ethics and conduct within thirty days of award. To promote compliance with such code of business ethics and conduct, contractors should have an employee business ethics and compliance training program that facilitates timely discovery and disclosure of improper conduct in connection with government contracts and ensures corrective measures are promptly instituted and carried out. A contractor may be suspended and/or debarred for knowing failure by a principal to timely disclose to the government, in connection with the award, performance, or closeout of a government contract performed by the contractor or a subcontract awarded there under, credible evidence of a violation of federal criminal law involving fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, or gratuity violations found in title 18 of the United States Code or a violation of the False Claims Act. (31 U.S.C. 3729-3733).

If this solicitation or contract includes FAR clause 52.203-13 - CONTRACTOR CODE OF BUSINESS ETHICS AND CONDUCT; the contractor shall comply with the terms of the clause and have a written code of business ethics and conduct; exercise due diligence to prevent and detect criminal conduct; promote ethical conduct and a commitment to compliance with the law within their organization; and timely report any violations of federal criminal law involving fraud, conflict of interest, bribery or gratuity violations found in title 18 of the United States Code or any violations of the False Claims Act. (31 U.S.C. 3729-3733). When FAR 52.203-13 is included in the contract, contractors must provide a copy of its written code of business ethics and conduct to the contracting officer upon request by the contracting officer.

**RAPID GATE, DEFENSE BIOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (DBIDS) REQUIREMENT and/or OTHER SECURITY PROGRAMS**

Many bases may require enrollment in a particular system for base security such as RapidGate, the Defense Biometric Identification System (DBIDS), or other similar system(s). Such systems manage access to Department of Defense (DoD) installations, and will not allow entry without clearance. During the contract start-up/ implementation period, the Contractor must contact all customer locations to determine whether enrollment in RapidGate, DBIDS, or another security program is required for access to each location. If RapidGate, DBIDS, or other security enrollment is required, the Contractor must take all necessary steps to obtain this in time for the start of performance under this contract. Failure to have clearance may result in a vendor being turned away from the base and being unable to complete delivery. The Contractor is responsible for any costs associated with RapidGate, DBIDS, and/or other security program enrollment and must ensure that a properly enrolled driver is available for all deliveries. We currently estimate that RapidGate or DBIDS enrollment will cost about \$250 per company and \$200 per enrolled employee for 1 year of access to multiple locations, but the cost of RapidGate, DBIDS or other security enrollment may vary, so the Contractor should contact the specific security system contractor to determine its own costs. If more than one driver is required, enrollment must be obtained for each driver. Note that enrollment can take several weeks, so an awardee that is not already enrolled must begin enrollment at the time of award notification at the latest. If difficulty or delay in enrollment is encountered during the start-up/implementation period, the Contractor MUST contact the specific security system contractor and/or the Security Officer at the applicable customer locations to resolve any issues with processing enrollment so that the Contractor will be able to deliver as required.

For additional information on current base security systems including RapidGate and DBIDS, including enrollment instructions, please visit their websites at <https://www.fortiorsolutions.com/products/rapidgate/> and <http://dbids.dmdc.mil/>.

**Form (CONTINUED)****CHECKLIST - DID YOU REMEMBER TO ?????**

- Fill in Block 17a, of 1449?
- Fill in Block 17A. Continued, on the bottom of page 3?
- Indicate remittance address and UEI Number block 17B. Continued, on the bottom of page 3, if different, in offer?
- Sign** Block 30a, name in Block 30b, and date in Block 30c.?
- Sign and return any/all amendments?
- Return one (1) **COMPLETE & SIGNED** copy of the solicitation?
- Fill out all certifications and representations in solicitation or submit a copy of your firm's representations and certifications from System for Award Management ("SAM") website?
- Submit prices for **every item** listed in the Schedule of Items (Attachment 2)?
- Fill out Vendor Name & CAGE Code for Excel Spreadsheet cell "B3" in Attachment 2 for Base, Tier 1 and Tier 2?
- Submit Distribution Prices for Base Excel Spreadsheet cell "H2, Tier 1 Excel Spreadsheet cell "H2" and Tier 2 Excel Spreadsheet cell "H2" Excel Spreadsheet cell in Attachment 2?
- Submit required information concerning financial arrangements under which you receive money from your Suppliers. i.e., manufacturer, grower, private label holder, or redistributor (when the Redistributor Exception applies)? Note: a negative response is required. For more information, see Section VI.
- Checked box stating you intend or do not intend to use one or more facilities as a place of performance under Federal

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Acquisition Regulation (“FAR”) 52.215-6 Place of Performance?

In accordance with the clause above, submit a separate list of places of performance, i.e., distribution centers / warehouse locations that will directly support the proposed customers? Warehouses that function as backups should be designated as such.

Submit proof of a valid / current Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act (PACA) License?

Submit a valid USDA Good Agricultural Practices (“GAP”) and Good Manufacturing Practices (“GMP”) or independent third-party certifying company audit inspection report(s) / certificate for each place of performance?

Submit required information concerning financial arrangements under which you receive money from your Suppliers. I.e., manufacturer, grower, private label holder, or redistributor (when the Redistributor Exception applies)? Note: a negative response is required. For more information, see 52.212-1, “Proposal Submission Information”, para G.

Submit all documents electronically by emailing to **Michael Juan [michael.juan@dla.mil](mailto:michael.juan@dla.mil) and Jean Ross; [jean.ross@dla.mil](mailto:jean.ross@dla.mil)**

**CAUTION: The above checklist is for convenience purposes only. This list is not intended to be all-inclusive. Offerors are responsible for carefully reviewing the entire Solicitation to ensure proper submission of all required information.**

## STATEMENT OF WORK

### I. INTRODUCTION

A. The Defense Logistics Agency (“DLA”) Troop Support Pacific (“Agency”) intends to enter into a indefinite quantity contract (“IQC”) with a commercial firm to supply a full- line of United States Department of Agriculture (“USDA”) Grade Number 1 or better quality Fresh Fruits and Vegetables (“FF&V”) products to Non-Department of Defense (“DoD”) USDA School customers, Maui, in the State of Hawaii Zone. Specific quality requirements per item are included in the Schedule of Items (Attachment 2). Failure to propose the specified quality requirement per item as identified in Attachment 2 may render an offeror's proposal technically unacceptable. If the item's description in Attachment 2 does not provide a specific quality grade, the minimum quality grade that is required to meet the terms of this Solicitation is USDA Grade Number 1.

A successful offeror(s) will be required to source, purchase, store, and deliver a variety of FF&V items to DLA Troop Support Pacific customers on an ongoing basis, while at the same time maintaining acceptable fill rates, levels of customer service, and product quality. Therefore, an offeror must currently possess the physical, logistical, and financial resources to serve as a commercial distributor of a variety of FF&V items. It is neither sufficient nor acceptable for an offeror to be a third-party logistics (“3PL”) company (i.e. a company that does not intend to serve as the FF&V supplier but instead intends to subcontract out the majority of aspects required by the contract, including but not limited to ordering, warehousing, distribution, etc.). By offering, an offeror affirms its status as a current and functioning commercial distributor of FF&V items. In order to determine whether an offeror meets the technical requirement of being a current and functioning commercial FF&V distributor, the Contracting Officer will require an offeror to provide its current, valid Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act (“PACA”) license. In addition, the Contracting

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Officer will require an offeror to submit a valid Good Agricultural Practices (“GAP”)/Good Handling Practices (“GHP”) audit inspection report(s) / certificate for each place of performance identified in the offeror's proposal.

The audit report(s) must demonstrate that a passing score(s) was/were received. Please note that a request for the aforementioned information by the Contracting Officer will be used to make a determination of whether or not the offeror meets the technical requirement of being a current and functioning commercial distributor of FF&V. This information is not being sought to determine an offeror's likelihood of success in performing the contract as would be the case in a responsibility analysis.

- B. This solicitation consists of non-Department of Defense (DoD) and private non-profit school customers. Offerors are required to offer on all items in the Schedule of Items; failure to do so may result in exclusion from award consideration.
- C. This solicitation is being issued as a 100% small business set-aside. In accordance with 13 CFR 121.406(e), if at least 50% of the estimated contract value of an acquisition for multiple items is composed of items that are manufactured by small business concerns, then a waiver of the non-manufacturer rule is not required. As such, for this acquisition, it is expected that items comprising at least 50% of the contract value will be manufactured by small business concerns.
- D. This solicitation utilizes the Lowest Price Technically Acceptable (LPTA) Source Selection Process. The length of the contract is sixty (60) months (5 years) including all tiers. As part of this selection process, the Agency will incorporate a weighting factor in its evaluation. Said factor will only be applied for evaluation purposes to the Aggregate Distribution Price. Please refer to the Addendum to FAR 52.212-2 contained in this Solicitation for additional information about how each offeror's price, and price components, will be evaluated.
- E. Any award resulting from this solicitation will be an indefinite quantity contract (IQC) that is fixed in price subject to the applicable Economic Price Adjustment (EPA) provision. An IQC will provide for an indefinite quantity, within stated limits, of specific supplies or services to be furnished during a fixed period, with deliveries to be scheduled by placing orders with the contractor (reference FAR 16.504(a)).
- F. All Fresh Fruit and Vegetable products delivered under this IQC shall be sourced domestically, no exceptions.*** Non- DoD USDA School Customers are allowed to utilize the resulting IQC only when they use Federal funding. Additionally, these customers shall be required to utilize Federal funding on domestic items ONLY. Non-Domestic items are not authorized using Federal funding.

**II. EFFECTIVE PERIOD OF CONTRACT**

- A. The resultant IDIQ may be for a total of 5 years (one [24 month] tier period plus (two [18 month] tier period) commencing on the effective date of the IDIQ contract. Tier 1 will include a start-up period, see paragraph IV.  
CONTRACT START-UP PERIOD

Performance Period: Total 5 years (07/02/2023 - 07/01/2028)  
Tier 1 - 07/02/2023 - 07/01/2025 (24 month tier)  
Tier 2 - 07/02/2025 - 01/01/2027 (18 month tier)  
Tier 3 - 01/02/2027 - 07/01/2028 (18 month tier)

**III. Tiers**

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- A. The resultant IQC may be for a total of 5 years ([one 24 month] tier period plus two [18 month] tier periods) commencing on the effective date of the IQC contract. The base period will include a start-up period, see paragraph V. **CONTRACT START-UP PERIOD**
- B. For evaluation purposes only, the base term of the resultant IQC (24 Months), and the term of any tier (18 Months), if exercised under the IQC, will not exceed 18 months for the tier period. The total length of the IQC will not exceed sixty (60) months.
- C. Exercising of an tiers is not automatic and depends upon such conditions as acceptable vendor performance in meeting contract specifications and verifying an ongoing demand for this requirement.
- D. There are two (18 month) tier periods in this solicitation. Acceptance of these tiers is mandatory. Distribution Prices (see Economic Price Adjustment (EPA) Clause), must be submitted for each tier period, as well as for the base period. The Distribution Prices offered on each tier period will be calculated with the Delivered Price (see Economic Price Adjustment (EPA) Clause), proposed for each evaluated item. The Distribution Price for each tier period may be offered as a dollar value, increase or decrease, from the base period. Changes expressed as a percentage will not be accepted.
- E. Failure to propose an increase or decrease of distribution prices in the tier periods will be considered, and evaluated as, no change per tier period.

**IV. ESTIMATED DOLLAR VALUE / GUARANTEED MINIMUM / MAXIMUM**

- A. The following chart includes the 24-month estimated dollar value for tiers 1,2, & 3, and the overall 5-year period, along with the 10% guaranteed minimum and contract maximum values, respectively. Though both figures are based on estimates, the guaranteed minimum and the contract maximum are both fixed firm dollar amounts, which are calculated as a percentage of the 24-month and 5-year estimated dollar values, respectively.
- B. NOTE:** The guaranteed minimum, which is shown in the “10% Minimum (10% of the Estimated Annual Demand)” column below, constitutes the Agency's full legal obligation as to its ordering requirements. Once this obligation is met, there is no further ordering obligation on the part of the Agency regardless of what tier period said obligation is met within.

Maui	24-month Estimate (Tier)	10% Minimum	Maximum 5-year Estimated (Tiers 1,2, & 3)
	<b>\$1,960,000.00</b>	<b>\$91,000.00</b>	<b>\$4,900,000.00</b>

The term “estimate” refers to the Agency's good faith estimate of the requirement for the specific tier periods stated.

**V. CONTRACT START-UP PERIOD**

- A. After an award is made, the Contractor (also referred to as the Awardee) will be required to take steps to implement its new contract prior to initial ordering/delivery. Within 14 days after the award is made, the

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Contractor shall submit a proposed implementation schedule to the Contracting Officer that details all of the necessary steps that are required to ensure proper contract performance. This may include but is not limited to catalog/ordering/invoice testing (STORES and/or FFAVORS), sourcing new items, finalize delivery schedule per customer location, etc. An additional 14 days will be granted for actual completion of the proposed schedule. No more than 30 calendar days after award, however, will be given to complete the schedule and have a fully functional distribution account in place for all customers covered under the contract(s). The timeline for the “start-up” tier, as described above, is included in the first 24-month tier.

**VI. ELECTRONIC ORDERING CATALOGS**

Offerors will be required to maintain electronic catalogs that list all items available to the customers covered under this solicitation. The catalog for Non-DoD USDA Schools customers shall be built and maintained in USDA's Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Order Receipt System (FFAVORS) Web. Each item in the catalog shall contain the corresponding national or local stock number, Government item description, packaging characteristics, unit of issue and unit price.

**A. Catalog Maintenance****1. New Items**

- (a) Prior to commencement of the first order, DLA Troop Support Pacific, the customer and the vendor will collaborate to identify items not found in the Schedule of Items which are to be added to the ordering catalog. Neither the vendor nor customer is permitted to add a new item to the catalog without initiating a new item request to the Contracting Officer.
- (b) After ordering commencement, if a customer desires to order a Fresh Fruit and Vegetable (FF&V) item that is not part of the ordering catalog, the contractor will be allowed a maximum of twenty (20) days to source the item, obtain a stock number from DLA Troop Support Pacific (if required) and add the item to the ordering catalog via an 832 catalog transaction. These items should then become a permanent part of the contractor's inventory, dependent upon availability, after the Contracting Officer's determination of fair and reasonable pricing. The contractor shall utilize the Contracting Officer provided form when requesting all item approvals (additions and/or changes). The form is mandatory and is **Attachment 3**.
- (c) The successful awardee shall assume the responsibility of introducing new produce items to the customers, as well as showing cost effective alternatives to their current choices.

**2. Catalog Pricing**

- (a) Schedule of Items Pricing: Items priced in the Schedule of Items (SoI) (**See Attachment 2**) will be included in the ordering catalog following award. Schedule of Items will be determined fair and reasonable prior to award. The final proposed price for each item in the Schedule of Items will be the catalog price during the first week of customer ordering.
- (b) Reverse Auction: The Contracting Officer may utilize reverse auctioning to conduct price discussions. If the Contracting Officer does not conduct a reverse auction, award may be made on initial offers or following discussions. If a reverse auction is going to occur offerors will be notified by the Contracting Officer and provided additional instructions at that time. For information on registering for a reverse auction see Attachment 7.

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- (c) Contractor-Requested Catalog Price Changes: Upon award, all items included in the Solicitation's Schedule of Items that ultimately are included in the ordering catalogs have been deemed "fair and reasonable" from a pricing standpoint by the Contracting Officer. No further analysis is necessary with regard to those prices until said prices are subject to change per a request by the Contractor under the terms of the EPA provision. In accordance with said provision, a Contractor is permitted to submit a **biweekly adjustment** request for any items found on the catalog when consistent with actual price changes of said items encountered by the Contractor as reflected in the commercial market. When such a request occurs, the Contracting Officer is required to make an entirely new "fair and reasonable" determination of that item's new requested price. Prices are to be adjusted downward or upward, as appropriate, according to "last receipt" price, as defined under the EPA terms of this solicitation. If the new requested price cannot be found "fair and reasonable" by the Contracting Officer, the last approved price will remain effective for purposes of the ordering catalog and the Contractor shall continue support of that item(s) for Agency customers the following week and beyond until a new "fair and reasonable" price is approved. The Contracting Officer's failure to approve a Contractor's request for a weekly adjustment of a price will NOT result in the automatic removal of the corresponding item from the following week's ordering catalog. In a circumstance where an item's price is "held over" from a prior week, having not been adjusted due to the Contracting Officer's rejection of a subsequent weekly price adjustment request (i.e. newly proposed price cannot be determined "fair and reasonable"), it is expected that the terms of the EPA provision continue to be strictly adhered to. It is unacceptable, and a breach of said terms, if a Contractor uses a "held over" price to overcharge the Government at a point when that price exceeds the item's true price as paid by the Contractor in its business, which reflects commercial market conditions for that item. Therefore, in the "held over" scenario as described above as well as all scenarios encountered during contract performance, price decreases are expected when and where applicable. Please note that the Contracting Officer has wide discretion in managing the above-described processes and resolving any resulting issues.
- (d) Contractor-Requested Catalog Additions: Before an item is added to the catalog vendors are required to submit to the contracting officer a request of proposed catalog additions (See Attachment 3). The request shall include the stock number, Government item description, proposed unit price and a corresponding supplier invoice or quote, and proposed distribution price. **The request is due by 9:00 AM HST on the Monday prior to inclusion of the Wednesday catalog updates. Please note that meeting this deadline does not guarantee that the item's price will be approved as "fair and reasonable" nor does it mean that the Contracting Officer will have been able to complete his/her review of the request prior to the time necessary to incorporate it into the following week's ordering catalog.** The contracting officer will review the catalog addition request and upon determining the price fair and reasonable will contact the contractor to indicate acceptance. The contractor shall then include the item on Wednesday's catalog update. Should the proposed price fail to be determined fair and reasonable, the contracting officer will conduct negotiations with the vendor. If after negotiations the proposed pricing still cannot be determined fair and reasonable the item will not be added to the catalog.
- (e) Pricing Requirements: The Contractor's catalog prices, as awarded, constitute the initial catalog prices. These prices are in effect during the first ordering week (from Sunday at 12:00 AM (Eastern Time (ET), standard or daylight as applicable) through 11:59 PM on the Saturday of the following week. The prices shall remain in effect for all subsequent ordering weeks, except as otherwise adjusted in accordance with the EPA provision.

**VII. ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT ("EPA") - ACTUAL MATERIAL COSTS FOR****CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE**

**Form (CONTINUED)****SUBSISTENCE FRESH FRUITS & VEGETABLES (“FF&V” or “Produce”)**

A. Warranties. For any items covered by this EPA language, the Contractor warrants that:

1. Contract Unit Price and the components of the Contract Unit Price, i.e. Delivered Price and Distribution Price, shall not include allowances for any portion of the contingency covered by this language; and
2. Price adjustments requested during the performance of the contract shall be computed in accordance with the provisions of this language.

B. Definitions. As used throughout this language the term:

1. **“Contract Unit Price”** means the total price per unit of a particular item charged to the Government for a product delivered to customers under this contract. The Contract Unit Price consists of two separate and distinct components: 1) Delivered Price, less Rebates/Discounts, and 2) Distribution Price. The unit price sum of these two components shall be rounded up or down to the nearest cent, to determine the Contract Unit Price.

2. **“Delivered Price”**

(i) “Delivered Price” means the commercial manufacturer, grower, or private label holder price per unit charged to the Contractor, inclusive of standard freight to the Contractor's facility/facilities, for the purchase of a representative quantity of the item as compared to orders under this contract. Delivered Price is the manufacturer, grower, or private label holder price that is input into the Contractor's purchasing system as the starting basis for its pricing to customers prior to applying or deducting any additional costs or expenses, such as distribution, overhead, profit, rebates/ discounts, or other costs/expenses stemming from separate financial arrangements. Delivered Price shall be substantiated with an actual invoice paid by the Contractor. In limited circumstances, quotations may be used to substantiate a Delivered Price, but only with specific approval of the Contracting Officer. The Delivered Price shall not include costs to be included in the Distribution Price.

(A) **Redistributor Exception:** On a case by case basis, for a specific item or stock keeping unit (“SKU”), a contiguous United States (CONUS) redistributor's most recent commercial price per unit, inclusive of standard freight to the Contractor's facility/facilities to the Contractor of a representative quantity of product as compared to orders under the contract may be used to establish Delivered Price. A redistributor's commercial price may only be used to establish Delivered Price when the redistributor's price for the quantity ordered is equal to or lower than a manufacturer's, grower's, or private label holder's current market price for a representative quantity of product inclusive of rebates/discounts. The Contracting Officer must specifically approve the use this exception. When seeking approval for the use of this exception, at a minimum, the Contractor must supply invoices from the redistributor. Quotes from the redistributor are unacceptable. Additional supporting documentation (e.g., published price list, manufacturer letter, or similar proof of price comparison) may be required. The determination of whether the supporting documentation offered is sufficient to establish a manufacturer's, grower's, or private label holder's current market price, as well as the decision to permit the use of this exception, rests solely with the Contracting Officer.

3. **“Distribution Price(s)”** means the firm-fixed price portion of the Contract Unit Price, offered as a dollar amount per unit of issue, rounded up or down to the nearest cent. The Distribution Price component includes all costs associated with the Contractor's performance that are not included in the Delivered

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Price, including, but not limited to: human resources, insurance, special packaging, overhead, profit, transportation from the Contractor's facility or other place of performance to the end customers, split-case fees, ancillary in-house processing fees, subcontractor costs, etc.

4. **“Grower”** means the business concern that raises produce for marketing.
5. **“Manufacturer”** mean the business concern that, with its own facilities, performs primary activities of processing or transforming agricultural products into the end item being acquired.
6. **“Ordering Catalog”** means the electronic listing of items and Contract unit prices available for ordering under this contract.
7. **“Ordering Week”** means from Sunday at 12:00 AM (Eastern Time (ET), standard or daylight as applicable) through 11:59 PM on the Saturday of the following week.
8. **“Private Label Holder”** means:
  - (i) A manufacturer or grower with whom the Contractor holds an ownership and/or financial interest, or ownership and/or financial interest in a specific item(s) produced by a manufacturer or grower;
  - (ii) An entity holding an intellectual property interest, whether by ownership or license, in the label under which product is being sold in the commercial marketplace; or
  - (iii) An entity holding exclusive marketing and/or sales authority of a product, or one holding property rights in a proprietary product formula.
9. **“Rebates/Discounts”** means all rebates, discounts, product allowances, food show discounts, early payment discounts (other than qualifying early payment discounts as may be defined elsewhere in this contract), and any other rebates, discounts, economic incentives, or similar financial arrangements available at the manufacturer, grower, private label holder, or redistributor level that ultimately reduces the Contractor's price paid for a product supplied under the contract. In accordance with this language as well as other provisions of this contract, and subject to any applicable exceptions, all rebates/discounts shall be passed on to the Government via a reduced catalog price for the item to which the rebates/discounts pertain (i.e. “off invoice”). Any rebates/discounts that cannot be applied as an up-front price reduction must be submitted to the Contracting Officer via check payable to the U.S. Treasury, with an attached itemized listing of all customer purchases by line item, including contract number, PIID number, purchase order number and contract line item number (“CLIN”).
10. **“Redistributor”** means an entity independent of the contractor that operates in the existing commercial marketplace and from which the contractor purchases product for purposes of consolidating quantities and/or obtaining lower delivered prices. Examples may include: brokers, dealers, distributors, and buying groups.
11. **“Standard Freight”** means the published list price or prevailing market rate for transportation of items ordered under this contract from the manufacturer, grower, private label holder, or redistributor (when the Redistributor Exception applies) to the Contractor's facility/facilities. Standard Freight must be documented in an invoice; however, quotes may be an acceptable form of substantiation in limited circumstances and if authorized by the Contracting Officer. Standard freight may include certain

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ancillary costs associated with transportation which are consistent with commercial practice in the produce industry, including, but are not limited to, pallets, temperature recording devices, Tectrol, etc.

- (i) In the event that the Contractor picks up its own product directly from a manufacturer, grower, private label holder, or redistributor (when the Redistributor Exception applies) on an F.O.B Origin basis, or arranges for delivery transportation from a third party source other than the manufacturer, grower, private label holder, or redistributor (when the Redistributor Exception applies), the standard freight cost shall be based on market tariffs/conditions and consistent with prevailing market rates. At no time shall that cost exceed the manufacturer's, grower's, private label holder's, or redistributor's, or such entity's carrier's freight price normally payable by the Contractor for inbound shipments of such products and quantities to the Contractor's facility(ies).

**C. Price adjustments.****1. General.**

- (i) All Contract Unit Prices shall be fixed and remain unchanged until changed pursuant to this language or other applicable provision of the contract. Only the Delivered Price component of the Contract Unit Price is subject to adjustment under this section. After the first ordering week, if the Contractor's Delivered Price changes for any or all Contract Unit Prices, the Contract Unit Price shall be changed in the next week's ordering catalog upon the Contracting Officer's approval of the Contractor's request, which must be submitted in accordance with paragraph (iii) below, by the same dollar amount of the change in the Delivered Price, subject to the limitations in paragraphs C.2 and D, below. Any price changes approved by the Contracting Officer shall become effective at the beginning of the next ordering week. All ordering catalog unit prices computed in accordance with this section and in effect when an order is placed shall remain in effect for that order through delivery. DLA Troop Support will be charged the Contract Unit Price in effect at the time the order is placed, regardless of any changes in the Contract Unit Price occurring before delivery or in any subsequent ordering week.
- (ii) Delivered Prices included in the catalog shall equal the Contractor's last receipt price for the item as reflected in an invoice (or quote in limited circumstances) for a representative quantity compared to typical Government purchases. For the purpose of the contract catalog, the "last receipt price" means the price of the product charged on the most recent invoice at the time the price change is requested. For example, if by Wednesday (i.e. the day price change requests are due to the Contracting Officer) the Contractor had recently received two invoices for the product in question, one on Monday and one on Tuesday, then the most recent invoice is the one from Tuesday (assuming it contains a representative quantity as described above). It is important to note that a Delivered Price must in almost all cases be justified using an invoice as described in this paragraph. Use of a quote is only permitted in extremely limited circumstances, such as when an item has not been purchased before by the Contractor or the price of the item is stale due to seasonality and other similar issues. Outside of those limited circumstances, which will be reviewed and approved by the Contracting Officer on a case by case basis, a Delivered Price will not be substantiated by using the price of an item that is the latest to arrive at the Contractor's facility but does not yet have an invoice to support it. Ultimately, the invoice (or quote in limited circumstances) justifying the Delivered Price request is subject to review by the Contracting Officer at the time the request is made.

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- (iii) Updates to the Delivered Price: All notices and requests for new item

Delivered Prices and price changes shall be submitted **bi-weekly, no later than 9:00 a.m. Hawaii Standard Time on Tuesday** to be effective in the following week's ordering catalog. Invoices submitted to support price change requests shall also identify all rebates/discounts that will be subtracted from the requested delivered prices when calculating the revised contract unit prices that would go on the catalog. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer of its notice/request in the form of an electronic data interchange ("EDI") 832 transaction set when using STORES or an update to FFAVORS web. The change notice shall include the Contractor's adjustment in the Delivered Price component of the applicable Contract Unit Price. Upon the Contracting Officer's acceptance of such EDI 832/FFAVORS Web price changes in accordance with paragraph (v) below, the price change transaction sets will post in the next week's ordering catalog and each Contract Unit Price shall be changed by the same dollar amount of the change in the Delivered Price in the next week's ordering catalog.

- (iv) All price changes, and catalog contract prices, are subject to review by the Government. The Contracting Officer may, at any time, require the submission of supporting data to substantiate any requested price change or the requested continuation of the pre-existing price for any item, including prices applicable to prior ordering weeks. Upon notice from the Contracting Officer that supporting data is required, the Contractor shall promptly furnish to the Government, all supporting data, including, but not limited to, invoices, quotes, price lists, documentation regarding rebates/discounts, and any other substantiating information from the Contractor and any and all of its suppliers in the supply chain, including the manufacturer, grower, private label holder, or redistributor.
- (v) Price change requests that the Contracting Officer questions or finds to be inconsistent with the requirements of this provision shall not be posted until the Contracting Officer specifically authorizes the posting. If the Contracting Officer does not notify the Contractor **by 9:00 a.m. Hawaii Standard Time each Thursday** that a price or a price change request is being questioned or has been found to be erroneous, the price change(s) will post to the ordering catalog effective the beginning of the following ordering week. The posting of updated prices in the ordering catalog, calculated in accordance with this section, constitutes a modification to this contract. No further contract modification is required to effect this change. Any changes that post to the ordering catalog do not constitute a waiver of any of the rights delineated elsewhere in the Solicitation, any resulting contract(s), or otherwise by law or regulation.
- (vi) Should the Contracting Officer determine that, or question whether, a price change request contained an erroneous Contract Unit Price or price change, or cannot otherwise determine the changed price(s) to be "fair and reasonable," such as when the changed price(s) is(are) higher than delivered
- prices for items of comparable quality which are reasonably available to the Government or Contractor from other sources, the Contracting Officer will so advise the Contractor, prior to **9:00 a.m. Hawaii Standard Time on Thursday**. If the Contracting Officer cannot determine a price fair and reasonable, and the Contracting Officer and the Contractor cannot negotiate a fair and reasonable price, the Contracting Officer may reject any price change and direct, in writing, that the item in question be retained on the catalog at the most recent previously-approved price consistent with current market conditions. In the alternative, the Contracting Officer may authorize the removal of an item.

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(vii) In the event of a price change not posting or an ordering catalog Contract Unit Price not computed in accordance with this section, resulting in an incorrectly increased or decreased Contract Unit Price, upon discovery of such occurrence the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer in writing and promptly thereafter correct its ordering catalog. In the event of an erroneous price increase in the ordering catalog, the Contractor shall submit a refund, including interest if applicable, for any amounts paid to the Contractor resulting from the erroneous price. In the event of an erroneous price decrease in the ordering catalog, the Contractor may submit a request for an equitable adjustment in the amount of the undercharge for consideration by the Contracting Officer. The request may be entertained if the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Contracting Officer that the error did not result from the fault or negligence of the Contractor. The Contractor will not be entitled to reimbursement if the undercharge was the fault or negligence of the Contractor.

2. Limitations. All adjustments under this section shall be limited to the effect on Contract Unit Prices of actual increases or decreases in the Delivered Prices for material. There shall be no upward adjustment for --

(i) Supplies for which the Delivered Price is not affected by such changes;

(ii) Changes in the quantities of materials; and

(iii) Increases in Contract Unit Prices that the Contracting Officer determines are computed incorrectly (i.e. not adhering to the Contract Unit Price definition in this provision) and/or increases in Contract Unit Prices that the Contracting Officer determines are not fair and reasonable.

D. Upward ceiling on economic price adjustment. **The aggregate of Delivered Price increases for each item under this section during the entire contract period shall not exceed 110% for Department of Defense (DoD) Troop and 110% for United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) School, of the initial contract Delivered Price,** except as provided below:

1. If at any time the Contractor has reason to believe that within the near future a price adjustment under the provisions of this language will be required that will exceed the Delivered Price ceiling for any item, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer in writing of the expected increase. In the event that the latest actual market price for an item does result in a Delivered Price that exceeds the allowable ceiling price under the contract, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer in writing or via its EDI 832/FFAVORS Web price change request no later than the time specified in paragraph C.1.(iii), above. With either such notification, the Contractor shall include a revised ceiling that the Contractor believes is sufficient to permit completion of remaining contract performance, along with appropriate explanation and documentation as required by the Contracting Officer.
2. The price change shall be posted for the following week's ordering catalog. If an actual increase in the Delivered Price would raise the price for an item above its current ceiling, and the Contracting Officer and Contractor cannot negotiate a fair and reasonable price below the ceiling or if the Contracting Officer does not issue a contract modification to raise the ceiling, the Contracting Officer may reject the price change and direct that the item be retained on the contract at the last approved price. If the Contracting Officer decides to retain the item, the contractor shall continue to perform with the item at the last approved price. In the alternative, the Contracting Officer may authorize the removal of an item. The decision regarding whether to modify the contract, retain the item, or remove the item rests solely

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with the Contracting Officer.

- E. Downward limitation on economic price adjustments. There is no downward limitation on the aggregated percentage of decreases that may be made under this section.
- F. Price Audit. The Contracting Officer may require the Contractor to submit invoices and other documentation from all subcontractors at all periods and/or all suppliers or persons in the Delivered Price supply chain, up to and including the grower, manufacturer, and/or redistributor, for the purpose of confirming Delivered Prices charged to the Government, as well as to substantiate all rebate/discounts applicable to orders under the contract. In performing the price audit, the Government shall have the right to examine books, records, documents and other data, to include commercial sales data, that the Contracting Officer deems necessary to verify Contractor adherence to the provisions of this section and any other terms and conditions of the contract. Such price audits may occur up to twice a year (except as provided for below) until the end of 3 years after the date of final payment under this contract or the time periods specified in Subpart 4.7 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (“FAR”), whichever is earlier. In addition to price audits, the Government may conduct additional examinations of records, as required by the Contracting Officer to ensure contract compliance.
- G. Final invoice. The Contractor shall include a statement on the final invoice for each order that the amounts invoiced hereunder have applied all decreases required or authorized by this section.
- H. Disputes. Any dispute arising under this section shall be determined in accordance with the “Disputes” clause of the contract.

**VIII. REBATES/DISCOUNTS AND PRICE-RELATED PROVISIONS (COMPONENT PRICE MODEL FOR PRODUCE)**

A. Terms used in this provision shall have the same definition as those included in Economic Price Adjustment (EPA) language, included herein.

**B. Rebates/Discounts**

1. All NAPA discounts, food show discounts, early payment discounts (except Qualifying Early Payment discounts discussed herein), and other discounts, rebates, allowances, economic incentives, financial arrangements, or other benefits, which reduce the Contractor's price paid for products supplied under this contract or which are otherwise attributable to products sold under this contract, shall be passed to the Government via a reduced catalog price. Any Rebates/Discounts that cannot be applied as an up-front price reduction must be submitted via check payable to the U.S. Treasury, with an attached itemized listing of all customer purchases by line item, including contract number, PIID number, purchase order number and contract line item number (“CLIN”). Instructions for identifying discounts, rebates, allowances or other economic incentives or benefits that shall be provided to the Government or retained by the contractor are set forth in the submission requirements in the Business Proposal/Pricing and in the Reports section of the Statement of Work.
2. The contractor shall employ prevailing commercial methods in the pursuit of discounts, rebates, allowances or other economic incentives or benefits for the Government throughout the period of performance of this contract.

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3. The contractor may retain Qualifying Early Payment discounts that meet the following conditions:
- (i) The Early Payment discount is an incentive to encourage payment earlier than the normal payment due date;
  - (ii) The Early Payment discount is consistent with commercial practice;
  - (iii) The Early Payment discount is routinely given by the manufacturer, grower, private label holder, or redistributor to their customers, other than the Contractor, at the same discount rate and under the same conditions as provided to the Contractor;
  - (iv) The Early Payment Discount is not established, requested, or negotiated for the purpose of avoiding giving DLA Troop Support a lower cost or application of a rebate/discount resulting in a higher invoice price;
  - (v) The Early Payment discount is no more than 2 percent of the manufacturer's, grower's, private label holder's, or redistributor's invoice and the early payment is required within 10 days to obtain the discount; and
  - (vi) The contractor actually made the required payment within the time period required to receive the discount.
4. The Government may require the contractor to submit invoices and other documentation from all subcontractors (as defined in FAR Part 44.101) and/or any entity in the delivered price supply chain to substantiate or identify any Rebates/Discounts. If the Contracting Officer determines, after reviewing an invoice or other documentation, that a Rebate/Discount should have been, but was not, passed on to the Government, the Government shall be entitled to a refund in the amount of the overcharges, inclusive of interest. If the Contractor believes it erroneously credited a rebate/discount to the Government, Contractor may submit a request for an equitable adjustment for the amount of the undercharge. The request may be entertained if the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Contracting Officer that the error did not result from the fault or negligence of the Contractor. The Contractor will not be entitled to reimbursement if the undercharge was the fault or negligence of the Contractor.
5. The Contracting Officer, and/or authorized representative(s), shall have the right to examine and audit the Contractor's records relevant to pricing under the contract, including records related to the existence and proper accounting of rebates, discounts, etc. The Government may also review/audit the Contractor's electronic purchasing system to confirm that the Delivered Price of a product sold to the Government is accurate.
6. Failure on the part of the Contracting Officer to identify non-compliance with this provision or to challenge the Contractor's erroneous interpretation of this provision shall not constitute waiver or a defense against the Government's entitlement to any of Rebates/Discounts or any other remedies afforded by this section, the contract, or other applicable laws and regulations.

**IX. DOMESTIC NON-AVAILABILITY DETERMINATION - FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES**

A. A Class Domestic Non-Availability Determination (“DNAD”) for Federal Supply Class 8915, Fresh Fruits

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and Vegetables (FF&V), dated 16 May 2008 was approved and is in effect for the DLA Troop Support/ DLA Produce Long-Term Contracts. This DNAD establishes a limited Berry Amendment waiver to the requirements of DFARS 252.225- 7012, Preference for Certain Domestic Commodities, which is applicable to this

Solicitation. As a result of the DNAD, non-domestic FF&V may be supplied under this contract when domestic FF&V of satisfactory quality and sufficient quantity cannot be procured as and when needed at U.S. market prices. This determination will remain in effect until these circumstances have changed and the DNAD is formally rescinded.

- B. The instant DNAD as applied affects resulting contracts supporting Department of Defense customers (i.e. Troops) only.
- C. Notwithstanding this DNAD, the USDA requires that fresh produce supplied via its Federal Entitlement for the USDA School Lunch Program must be from a domestic source. Therefore, the aforementioned DNAD does not impact or negate the Government's requirement for domestic produce in its contracts supporting Non- Department of Defense customers (i.e. Schools).

**X. ADDITION OF NEW CUSTOMERS****A. Adding Customers within the Contract's Geographic Distribution Region/Zone:**

1. After contract award, there may be instances when new customers request support of their fresh produce requirements. Additional DoD and/or Non-DoD federal government customers that request DLA Troop Support produce support may be added to the contract without any new acquisition or competition process, if the customer(s) is/are within the geographic distribution region/zone covered by this contract.
2. The decision as to whether a potentially new customer is within the contract region or zone and, thus, will be added to the contract without further competition and at the existing contract prices, shall be the sole decision of the DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer.
3. Pursuant to the above, the Contracting Officer will instruct the contractor to include the customer(s) at the effective contract prices applicable to that distribution zone/region.

**B. Adding Customers outside the Contract's Geographic Distribution Region/Zone:**

1. This provision applies to the following customers:
  - (a) A new DoD or Non-DoD federal customer that is deemed by the Contracting Officer to be outside the contract's geographic distribution region/zone.
  - (b) An existing DoD or non-DoD federal customer that is deemed by the Contracting Officer to be outside the contract's geographic distribution region/zone but has been previously supported on a separate contract covering a geographic distribution region/zone.
2. The customers described in paragraph B.1., above, and their produce requirements, may be added to any contract resulting from this solicitation as follows:
  - (a) In the judgment of the Contracting Officer, the customer(s) at issue is/are located in an area that is

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considered adjacent or proximal to the geographic distribution region/zone of the resulting contract. In a circumstance where the customer is located in an area that is adjacent or proximal to multiple existing produce contracts, the decision of which contract is most satisfactory to the Government for purposes of adding the customer(s) will be the sole decision of the Contracting Officer, taking into consideration numerous factors, including but not limited to those contained in this provision. Further, to that end, it is the Contracting Officer's sole decision as to which existing contractors available in the aforementioned region/zone(s) will be solicited for the support of the customer(s).

(i) The Contracting Officer will request complete price proposals to support the subject new customer(s), to include distribution and delivered prices. Prior to any customer being added to the resulting contract, the Contracting Officer shall determine all proposed prices to be fair and reasonable. To this end, negotiations may be required, in which the same processes and procedures contained within the instant solicitation may be employed.

(b) In the judgment of the Contracting Officer, the customer(s) at issue is/are not located in an area adjacent or proximal to the geographic distribution region/zone of the resulting contract, and/or the anticipated customer requirement is insubstantial, the customer(s) will not be added.

C. Under no circumstance may the resulting contract's maximum dollar value be exceeded with the addition of any customer(s) and its respective produce requirements

**XI. CUSTOMER SERVICE**

- A. Troop, USDA, and other customers conduct periodic food menu boards and similar meetings that the Contractor may be required to attend. At these meetings, the customers typically review their internal business practices and may request that the Contractor show new products, demonstrate produce preparation, and/or provide nutritional information.
- B. The Contractor shall provide at least one full-time Customer Service representative to maintain continuous contact with all of the ordering customers, as well as at least one back-up representative.
- C. As an industry expert, the Contractor shall assume the responsibility of introducing new FF&V items to the customers, as well as to show cost-effective alternatives to their current choices, if the customer so desires. (For procedures to add items, see New Items paragraph under the Section VI. Electronic Ordering Catalogs.) However, the decision as to which items are ultimately included in the Ordering Catalog are at the discretion of the customer(s) and the Contracting Officer.

**XII. ORDERING SYSTEMS**

- A. Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Order Receipt System ("FFAVORS"): USDA customers (School customer) will utilize the FFAVORS Web catalog as applicable. The Contractor, upon award, will be provided a User ID and password to Log in and receive orders through FFAVORS Web, a web-based ordering system. The Contractor is responsible for establishing and maintaining the FFAVORS WEB catalog in accordance with the FFAVORS Web Manual (**Attachment 5**).

1. Accessed via the Internet. FFAVORS WEB is the Government's ordering system for USDA Customers.

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It is capable of accepting orders from the schools.

2. Customers will be able to order all of their requirements through FFAVORS WEB. The system will transmit orders to the Contractor and DLA-Troop Support.
3. In the event that the FFAVORS WEB system is not operational, the Contractor must provide alternate ways for the customer to order (e.g., by fax, by phone, pick up orders). Be aware that even in this situation, however, it is mandatory that the Contractor subsequently place the same order through FFAVORS when it becomes operational again in order to effect obligation/receipt/payment.

**XIII. ORDER PLACEMENT, LEAD TIME, and ADJUSTMENTS/CANCELLATION OF ORDERS**

- A. **The minimum order requirement for any resultant contract is \$100.00.** This requirement shall be based on the aggregate total of orders for a specific delivery date to all customers located within a particular military base or delivery location.
- B. **School customers** shall place their orders to accommodate at a minimum a 4-day lead time. For example, an order placed on Monday, September 1st would have a required delivery date of Friday, September 5th. **See Attachment 4 Delivery Schedule.**
- C. All invoice pricing will be based upon the Contract Unit Price at time of order by the customer(s). Therefore, for any item ordered on a Friday to be delivered the following week, pricing will be based upon the catalog price in effect the day of order (Friday in this example), regardless of whether the unit price for that item subsequently changes as part of the next week's catalog updates.
- D. Once submitted through the applicable electronic ordering system (i.e. STORES or FFAVORS), an order may be cancelled by a customer up to 24 hours before scheduled delivery via written notification to the Contractor and the Contracting Officer. Within less than 24 hours from delivery, an order may be cancelled by mutual agreement between the customer and the Contractor. In the event of an act of God, such as extreme weather, the specific situation regarding a cancelled delivery will be dealt with in an equitable manner by the Contracting Officer, who has the ultimate authority and discretion to resolve said issues.
- F. Adjustments - For procedures discussing adjustments to order, refer to **Attachment 5 (FFAVORS manuals).**

**XV. REPACKAGING & SPLITTING OF CASES**

- A. For some items, DLA customers, particularly School, may require smaller pack sizes than are commonly available in the commercial marketplace. Such items are included in the instant Schedule of Items and may be added at a later date during contract performance. It is incumbent on the Contractor to determine how it will supply these items in accordance with the required pack sizes. In so doing, the Contractor may decide to split cases and repackage product at its own facility.
- B. Splitting cases and repackaging product, as described in the preceding paragraph, do not constitute processing, and, therefore, do not meet the conditions of a private label holder, as defined in Section VII. Accordingly, the Contractor is prohibited from including any costs associated with its own in-house

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splitting of cases and repackaging product in the Contractor's Delivered Price. Instead, the costs associated with in-house splitting cases and repackaging product must be included in the Contractor's Distribution Price.

**XVI. PACKAGING, PACKING, LABELING, AND MARKINGS**

- A. All labeling, packaging and packing shall be in accordance with good commercial practice. Shipping containers shall comply with the National Motor Freight Classification and Uniform Freight Classification Code.
- B. To ensure that the carrier and the receiving activity properly handle and store items, standard commercial precautionary markings such as "KEEP REFRIGERATED" shall be used on all cases when appropriate.
- C. Protection during inclement weather is required. All products that are susceptible and sensitive to temperature must be protected by any means to prevent damage.

**XVII. DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS**

- A. Contractors shall ensure all products are delivered in sanitary trucks that are of a commercially acceptable standard. All delivery trucks must be equipped with a lift gate to expedite the offloading of products. Trucks shall maintain proper temperatures in accordance with standard commercial practices. Deliveries shall be FOB Destination to all delivery points. Delivery will be completed when the Contractor has unloaded the order(s) from the vehicle and placed them on the dock, and customer receiving personnel has accepted the delivery ticket, in accordance with Section XVIII below. All items will be delivered to customer locations free of damage and with all packaging and packing intact. The Contractor shall remove all excess pallets used for delivery from the delivery point. **See Attachment 4 Delivery Schedule.**
- B. Customers' delivery schedules (days and times), routes, and stop-off sequences will be coordinated and verified with the customers on a post-award basis by the Contractor immediately following award and on an annual basis as required. At a minimum, each Troop customer receives three deliveries per week and each School customer receives one delivery per week. However, these schedules may be revised as necessary on a case-by-case basis at the approval of the Contracting Officer.
- C. Products for individual customers/dining facilities must be segregated. Many of the military bases have more than one delivery point. All products shall be palletized and segregated by drop-off point and loaded into the delivery vehicle in reverse drop sequence. The intent is to provide expeditious off-loading capability and delivery to the customers.
- D. The Contractor shall ensure that the personnel loading and delivering the product provide professional, prompt, and efficient service to the customer. Failure to adhere to these standards will be reported to the Customer Representative and the Contracting Officer by the affected customer(s) whereby appropriate corrective action will be coordinated with the Contractor.

**XVIII. INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE**

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- A. Inspection and acceptance of products will be performed at destination. The inspection is normally limited to identity, count and condition; however, this may be expanded if deemed necessary by either the military Veterinary Inspector, Dining Facility Manager, Food Service Advisor/Officer, or the Contracting Officer. Delivery vehicles may be required to stop at a central location for inspection before proceeding to the assigned delivery point(s). In addition, the delivery vehicles will be inspected for cleanliness and condition. Supplies transported in vehicles that are unsanitary, or which are not equipped to maintain prescribed temperatures, may be rejected without further inspection. Failure to identify latent defects or similar issues at time of acceptance will not absolve the Contractor of its liability or preclude the customer from obtaining appropriate remedy upon the timely discover of said defects or issues after-the-fact. In this circumstance, the customer shall notify the Customer Representative who will coordinate with the Contracting Officer in seeking an appropriate resolution.
- B. The authorized Government receiving official at each delivery point is responsible for inspecting and accepting products as they are delivered. The delivery ticket shall not be signed prior to the inspection of each product. All overages/shortages/returns are to be noted on the delivery ticket by the receiving official and truck driver. The authorized Government receiving official's signature and printed name on the delivery ticket is required for acceptance of the product. All signatures **MUST** be legible along with a printed name and title block. Failure to adhere to this requirement may result in disputes going against that party as its failure can severely limit the Contracting Officer's judgment.
- C. Delivery Ticket and related information. No electronic invoice may be submitted for payment until acceptance is verified.
1. Schools: The Contractor shall provide two copies of the delivery ticket with the shipment. The first copy is provided to the receiving official (i.e. the customer) who will use the delivery ticket as the new receipt document. The second copy will be retained by the Contractor (or its agent) for invoicing

**XIX. AUTHORIZED RETURNS**

- A. The Contractor shall accept returns under the following conditions:

1. Products shipped in error.
2. Products damaged in shipment.
3. Products with concealed or latent damage.
4. Products that are recalled.
5. Products that do not meet shelf life requirements.
6. Products that do not meet the minimum quality requirements as defined for the items listed in the schedule.
7. Products delivered in unsanitary delivery vehicles.
8. Products delivered that fail to meet the minimum/maximum specified temperature.
9. Quantity excess as a result of catalog error by the Contractor.
10. Products that are not from a sanitarly approved source.
11. Products that do not comply with DFARS 252.225-7012 Preference for Certain Domestic Commodities (Berry Amendment), if no exception to this clause is applicable (see DNAD explanation above).
12. Any other condition not specified above that is deemed by the customer to be valid reasons for

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return, confirmed by the Contracting Officer within his/her discretion.

**XX. REJECTION/RETURN PROCEDURES**

- A. In the event an item is returned for any of the reasons cited in Section XIX., the delivery ticket/invoice shall be annotated as to the item(s) rejected/returned. These items shall then be deducted from the delivery ticket/invoice. The invoice total must be adjusted to reflect the correct dollar value of the shipment. Replacements will be authorized based on the customer's needs. On an as-needed basis determined by customer need, same day re-delivery of items that were previously rejected shall be made, so that the customer's food service requirements do not go unfulfilled for that day. The re-delivered items will be delivered under a separate invoice utilizing the same PIID number, contract line item number, and purchase order number for the discrepant line. These re-deliveries will not constitute an emergency order requirement.
- B. In the event a product is rejected after initial delivery is made, the Contractor will pick up the rejected product or make other disposition arrangements deemed acceptable by the customer. Credit due to the ordering activity as a result of the rejected product being returned, will be handled through a receipts adjustment process in STORES or FFAVORS, as applicable. If the Contractor has already been paid for the product, a claim will be issued through DLA TROOP SUPPORT's financial system and the Contractor shall promptly pay the claimed amount. In all cases, one (1) copy of the credit memo is to be given to the customer and one (1) copy of the credit memo is to be sent to the DLA TROOP SUPPORT Contracting Officer.
- C. It is a requirement of this solicitation that product shall be inspected upon receipt as promptly as practicable. However, failure to promptly inspect or accept supplies shall not relieve the contractor from responsibility, nor impose liability on any of the customers, for nonconforming supplies. See clause 52.212-4, paragraph (o) and addendum to clause 52.212-4, paragraph 1.

**XXI. INVOICING**

- A. Each delivery will be accompanied by the Contractor's delivery ticket/invoice. The customer shall sign all copies of the invoice/delivery ticket. **Any changes must be made on the face of the delivery ticket/invoice; attachments are not acceptable.** See Section XVIII, para. C.
- B. No paper invoices shall be submitted to DFAS for payment. For all orders placed via STORES and sent via EDI transaction set 850, invoicing for payment is to be filed electronically using EDI transaction set 810 (see <https://www.troopsupport.dla.mil>, Select supply chains: Select Subsistence, Select Information: Select Stores & EDI Requests for EDI guidelines).
- C. For all orders downloaded via USDA's customer ordering website FFAVORS web, invoicing for payment shall be done via invoice link from FFAVORS web homepage, <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/ffavors.htm>.
- D. All invoices submitted by the Contractor must be "clean", i.e. all debits and/or credits must be reflected on the invoice prior to its submission. The Contractor is required to ensure the accuracy of its invoices. The Reconciliation Tool in STORES and/or Invoicing Tool in FFAVORS Web provides the Contractor the ability to ensure said accuracy.

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- E. **All internal debit/credit transactions must be completed prior to the submission of the invoice.**  
Invoice lines that do not contain the correct invoice data and/or contain incorrect quantities delivered or prices charged will be rejected. The Contractor will be responsible for correction and re-submission.
- F. The same invoice cannot be submitted with different dollar amounts.
- F. The 810 invoices do not go through a testing phase. The Contractor immediately begins sending its invoices in once it has successfully sent its first 850 purchase order.
- G. Any manually keyed, or emergency, orders must contain the word "Emergency" in the Purchase Order field when the invoice is submitted for payment. In addition, the PIID number and contract line item number (CLIN) will be entered as "9999" on the invoice. Failure to follow this procedure may result in the rejection of the Contractor's invoice.
- H. For catch weight items, standard rounding methods must be observed, i.e. less than .5 is rounded down; greater than or equal to .5 is rounded up. All weights must be rounded to whole pounds using standard rounding methods.** Any line submitted for other than whole numbers will be rejected and require correction and re- submission by the Contractor. Note: Currently, no catch weight items apply to this Solicitation. This does not preclude the possibility that catch weight items may be added in the future for certain items.
- I. Unit prices and extended prices must be formatted not more than two (2) places to the right of the decimal point. Standard rounding methods must be applied. For example, a price of \$2.215 or higher must be rounded up to \$2.22 and a price of \$2.214 or lower must be rounded down to \$2.21.
- J. Although invoices must be submitted electronically via an 810 Electronic Invoice; the following address must appear in the "Bill To" or "Payment Will Be Made By" block of the Contractor's invoice.
- DFAS - Columbus Center (SL4701) Attn: DFAS-BVDP  
P. O. Box 369031  
Columbus, OH 43236-9031
- Each invoice shall contain sufficient data for billing purposes. This includes, but is not limited to:
1. Contract Number
  2. PIID number
  3. Purchase Order Number
  4. DoD Activity Address Code (DODAAC)
  5. Contract line item numbers (CLINs) listed in numeric sequence (CLIN order)
  6. Item nomenclature
  7. Local Stock Number (LSN) or National Stock Number (NSN), as applicable
  8. Quantity purchased per item in DLA Troop Support's unit of issue
  9. Total dollar value on each invoice (reflecting changes to the shipment, if applicable)
- K. Invoice transactions may be submitted to DLA Troop Support daily. All internal debit/credit transactions must be completed prior to the submission of the invoice. Invoice lines that do not contain the correct invoice data and/or contain incorrect quantities delivered or prices charged will be rejected. The Contractor will be responsible for correction and re-submission.

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M. Invoice Reconciliation. The following tools have been developed to provide an additional method for the Contractor to ensure the accuracy of its own internal accounting process. 1. For STORES: **Vendor Reconciliation Tool** - In an effort to improve the payment process, Contractors are required to view what the customer has or has not receipted via the DLA Troop Support STORES website:

[https://www.stores.dla.mil/stores\\_web/Admin\\_Logon.aspx](https://www.stores.dla.mil/stores_web/Admin_Logon.aspx). The Contractor will have access to “un-reconciled” information, i.e., the invoice does not match the receipt because of the quantity and/or price discrepancy or because the customer has not posted a receipt. Both invoice information and receipt information will be available for review on the website by the Contractor. While the Contractor will not have the capability to update customer receipt information, update capability will be available for un-reconciled invoice information for 120 days. It is the Contractor's responsibility to ensure accurate invoices.

2. For FFAVORS: **Invoicing Tool** - In an effort to improve the payment process, Contractors are required to view what the customer has or has not receipted via the USDA FFAVORS website: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/fresh-fruits-andvegetablesorder-receipt-system-ffavors> The Contractor will have access to “un- reconciled” information, i.e., the invoice does not match the receipt because of the quantity and/or price discrepancy or because the customer has not posted a receipt. Both invoice information and receipt information will be available for review on the website by the Contractor. It is the Contractor's responsibility to ensure accurate invoices.

**XXII. PRICE AUDITS**

- A. Price Audits. Contractors are advised that the Government may conduct price verification analysis of the Contractor's performance on the resulting contract in the following manner:
1. At the Contracting Officer's discretion, an internal Price Verification Team in conjunction with the Contracting Officer may require the Contractor to provide copies of specific invoices from suppliers, as defined in the EPA provision of this Solicitation, covering up to 100 items that were included on the catalog at a given time.
  2. The Price Verification Team will request the above documentation in writing and the Contractor will have thirty (30) days after the request to furnish the documentation.
  3. A report of overcharges and undercharges (if applicable) will be forwarded to the Contractor, and the Contractor may be required to pay the Government for the net amount owed for overcharges. The Government reserves all rights and remedies provided by law or under the contract in addition to recovering any overcharges. Undercharges will be evaluated by the Contracting Officer on a case-by-case basis consistent with other terms and conditions of the instant Solicitation. (i) The Government may elect to expand / reduce the scope of the price verification analysis, and frequency of future analyses, as deemed appropriate by the Contracting Officer.
- B. The Government reserves the right to conduct additional price audits as necessary in the opinion of the Contracting Officer to verify price accuracy and potentially recoup any overcharges. In such instances, the Contractor will be required to submit invoices and any other supporting price documentation that the contracting officer deems appropriate.

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- A. Order fill rates shall be calculated by the Contractor on an on-time, per order basis and tracked for monthly submission to the Contracting Officer/Account Manager. To ensure accuracy in the Contractor's reported fill rates, the Government will utilize its own internal data for comparison purposes. The fill rate shall be calculated as follows and shall not include mis-picks, damaged cases or rejected items (**No other method of calculating fill rate will be accepted**):

$$\text{Cases accepted} * 100 = \text{fill rate \% Cases ordered}$$

**B. Definitions:**

1. Cases Accepted: Product that the customer has received and receipted not including damaged cases, rejected items, or mis-picks.
2. Cases Ordered: Product ordered by a customer through STORES or FFAVORS.

- C. Contractor is required to maintain at a minimum a **98.0%** fill-rate.

- D. The Contractor will submit a monthly report, by customer, to the DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer with the following information:

1. Fill Rate
2. List of all items that were Not in Stock, Returned, Damaged, and/or Mis-picked.

**XXIV. HOLIDAYS**

- A. All orders are to be delivered on the specified delivery date, except for Federal holidays, as outlined below. When a scheduled delivery day falls on one of these days, or one designated by your firm, delivery should occur on the next business day, unless otherwise agreed to by the customer.

New Year's Day Labor Day  
Martin Luther King Jr's Birthday Columbus Day Presidents' Day  
Veterans Day  
Memorial Day Thanksgiving Day  
Independence Day Christmas Day

- B. Note: Holidays falling on a Saturday are normally observed on the preceding day (Friday); holidays falling on a Sunday are normally observed on the following day (Monday).

**XXV. EMERGENCY ORDERS**

- A. Troop requirements can accelerate and surge during wartime, civil emergencies, natural disasters, adverse weather or other conditions. Therefore, last minute ordering may take place as necessary to fulfill customers' requirements.

- B. For Troop customers only, the contractor will provide up to one emergency order per month per

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customer at no additional cost to the Government. As specified by the customer, all emergency order(s) for supplies must be same day or next day. Expeditious fulfillment of the emergency requirement is imperative. Unless otherwise noted by the Contractor, the Contracting Officer or Contract Specialist will be the point of contact for emergency orders, and will vet the appropriateness of such a request.

**XXVI. FOOD DEFENSE**

- A. DLA Troop Support Subsistence Directorate provides world-wide subsistence logistics support during peace time as well as during regional conflicts, contingency operations, national emergencies, and natural disasters. At any time, the United States Government, its personnel, resources and interests may be the target of enemy aggression to include espionage, sabotage, or terrorism. This increased risk requires DLA Troop Support to take steps to ensure measures are taken to prevent the deliberate tampering and contamination of subsistence items. The Contractor must ensure that products and/or packaging have not been tampered with or contaminated throughout the growing, storage, and delivery process. The Contractor must immediately inform DLA Troop Support Subsistence of any attempt or suspected attempt by any party or parties, known or unknown, to tamper with or contaminate subsistence supplies.
- B. As the holder of a contract with the Department of Defense, the Contractor should be aware of the vital role it plays in supporting the Agency's customers. It is incumbent upon the Contractor to take all necessary actions to secure product delivered to all military customers, as well as any applicable commercial destinations.
- C. Accordingly, the Contractor shall submit a Food Defense Plan prior to the start of performance under any resultant contract to describe what steps it has taken and will take to prevent product tampering and contamination. The Contractor will also describe what steps have been or will be taken that relate to overall plant security and food safety. The Contractor must describe in detail the types of measures in place or scheduled to be put in place for the performance period of this contract. (NOTE: to download a copy of the DLA Troop Support Food Defense Checklist please go to the following website: [http://www.dla.mil/Portals/104/Documents/TroopSupport/Subsistence/FoodSafety/FoodQuality/food\\_defense\\_check.pdf](http://www.dla.mil/Portals/104/Documents/TroopSupport/Subsistence/FoodSafety/FoodQuality/food_defense_check.pdf) or contact the applicable Contracting Officer or the DLA Troop Support Quality Audits & Food Defense Branch). Contractors should include specific security measures relating to, but not limited to, the following areas:
1. Employee Identification
  2. Background checks where applicable
  3. Control of access to plant facility, gates and doors at the facility
  4. Internal Security
  5. Training and security awareness
  6. Product Integrity
  7. Transportation Security
- D. The DLA Troop Support Produce Quality Audit Team will review Food Defense during Produce Quality Audits / Quality Systems Managements Visits (QSMVs), as part of the USDA-AMS Good Agricultural Practices (“GAP”) & Good Handling Practices (“GHP”) Audits (<http://www.ams.usda.gov/services/auditing/gap-ghp>), to verify the implementation, compliance and effectiveness of the firm's Food Defense Plan/Program.

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- A. Pathogens: The Contractor will use prevailing commercial practice for testing of pathogens including, but not limited to, E. Coli, Listeria Monocytogenes, Salmonella, Shigella, and Coagulase Positive Staph Aureus.
- B. Shelf-life: All products delivered shall be as fresh as possible and within the Growers/Packers' original shelf life (i.e., Best if Used- by-Date, Expiration Date, or other markings). Applicable products shall be identified with readable open code such as "Best-Used-by- Date", "Sell-by-Date", date of production, or similar marking indicating the end of the guaranteed freshness date. In addition, the Contractor must comply with the following shelf-life requirements for fresh-cut fresh fruits and vegetables, ready-to-eat salads, cole slaw, etc.: 1. Individual bags/containers must be marked with a 14-day shelf life from the date of production. All products must be received by the customer with a least 50% of recommended shelf life remaining. If the manufacturer recommended shelf life is less than 14 days, the Contracting Officer must be notified in advance and approve the shelf-life. Any deviation from these requirements must be approved prior to customer delivery, in writing, by the Contracting Officer.
- C. Commercial standards shall be used to maintain temperatures appropriate for individual produce items during storage and delivery to DLA Troop Support customers.
1. Level of Product Quality:
- (a) When designating an item as a match for the DLA item in the Schedule of Items listed in the instant Solicitation, the item must be:
- (i) Identical in respect to packaging when the DLA unit of issue is not described by weights (e.g. pound or ounce).
- (ii) Equivalent in respect to grade or fabrication.

All items must meet or exceed the Government's item description of their assigned Government stock number and the specified US Grade.

**XXVIII. QUALITY PROGRAM**

- A. A Manufacturer, Grower/, Private Label Holder or Redistributor selection or certification program shall be used to ensure standardized product quality for each item supplied and/or listed in the stock catalogs, regardless of supplier. The product quality shall be equal to that described in the pertinent item specification and/or specified US Grade Standard.
- B. The Contractor shall develop and maintain a quality program for the product acquisition, warehousing, and distribution to assure the following:
1. Standardized product quality.
  2. Wholesome product by veterinary standards.
  3. The usage of First-In, First-Out ("FIFO") principles and/or First-Expired, First- Out ("FEFO").
  4. Product shelf life managed and monitored (by date of pack/production of the

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- item).
5. Items are free of damage.
  6. Correct items and quantities are selected and delivered.
  7. Ensure requirements of the Berry Amendment are met, when applicable.
  8. Customer satisfaction is monitored.
  9. Product discrepancies and complaints are resolved and corrective action is initiated.
  10. Supplier, FDA, or DoD initiated food recalls are promptly reported to customers and DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer.
  11. Compliance with EPA and OSHA requirements.
  12. Distressed or salvaged items or products shall not be used.
  13. Applicable food products delivered originate from a source listed as a Sanitarily Approved Food Establishment for Armed Forces Procurement and/or listed in the USDA-AMS Good Agricultural Practices ("GAP") Verification Directory or the USDA-AMS Good Handling Practices ("GHP") Verification Directory for fresh fruits and vegetables, as applicable. Bulk Fresh fruits and vegetables suppliers must be inspected and listed under the USDA-AMS GAP and/or the GHP Directory.
  14. Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point ("HAACP") protocol, if applicable.
  15. Commercial standards are used to maintain temperatures appropriate for individual items.

**XXIX. WAREHOUSING AND SANITATION PROGRAM/STORED PRODUCT PEST MANAGEMENT**

- A. The Contractor shall develop and maintain a sanitation program and a stored product pest management program for food and other co-located non-food items that comply with industry standard programs such as the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, part 110, Food Manufacturing Practices, the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, as well as all pertinent state and local laws and regulations. Records of inspections performed by the Contractor, its subcontractor, or other recognized industry association hired by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the Government at the Contracting Officer's request. Any findings by the Contractor or its agent documenting a critical sanitation deficiency shall be reported immediately to the Contracting Officer with an attached report of corrective action.

**XXX. PRODUCT SANITARILY APPROVED SOURCE REQUIREMENTS AND SANITARY CONDITIONS**

- A. Applicable food products (food products include bulk fresh fruits and vegetables), including pre-cut and packaged fruits, vegetables and salads, mushrooms, sprouts, etc., delivered to customers listed in this solicitation, as well as any customer added at a later date, shall originate either from an establishment (this includes suppliers/subcontractors or direct farm deliveries) listed in the "Directory of Sanitarily Approved Establishments for Armed Forces Procurements" or one which has been inspected under the guidance of the United States Department of Agriculture ("USDA"). The USDA Guidance for fresh fruits and vegetables is the USDA-AMS Good Agricultural Practices ("GAP") Verification Directory the USDA-AMS Good Handling Practices (GHP) Verification Directory, the USDA-AMS Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) Verification Directory or the USDA-AMS Food Defense Verification Directory for fresh fruits and vegetables for fresh fruits and vegetables, as applicable. Bulk Fresh fruits and vegetables suppliers must be inspected and listed under the USDA-AMS GAP, the GHP, the GMP and/or the Food Defense Directory. For detailed information see Clause 52.246.9044 "Sanitary Conditions" in this contract. It may also be found <https://sph.health.mil/>.

Processed Fresh Fruit and Vegetable products shall be purchased from, or performed by, companies with USDA

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Hazard Analysis & Critical Control Points (HACCP) certification. Additionally, these produce processing companies shall be approved by the US Army Public Health Center (USAPHC).

**B. Food Establishments.**

1. All establishments and distributors furnishing subsistence items under DLA Troop Support contracts are subject to sanitation approval and surveillance as deemed appropriate by the Military Medical Service or by other Federal agencies recognized by the Military Medical Service. The Government does not intend to make any award for, nor accept, any subsistence products manufactured, processed, or stored in a facility which fails to maintain acceptable levels of food safety and food defense, is operating under such unsanitary conditions as may lead to product contamination or adulteration constituting a health hazard, or which has not been listed in an appropriate Government directory as a sanitarily approved establishment when required. Accordingly, the supplier agrees that, except as indicated in paragraphs 2 and 3 below, products furnished as a result of this contract will originate only in establishments listed in the U.S. Army Public Health Command (USAPHC ) Circular 40-1, Worldwide Directory of Sanitarily Approved Food Establishments for Armed Forces Procurement, (Worldwide Directory) (available at <http://phc.amedd.army.mil/topics/foodwater/ca/Pages/DoDApprovedFoodSources.aspx>). Compliance with the current edition of DoD Military Standard 3006A, Sanitation Requirements for Food Establishments, is mandatory for listing of establishments in the Worldwide Directory. Suppliers also agree to inform the Contracting Officer immediately upon notification that a facility is no longer sanitarily approved and/or removed from the Worldwide Directory and/or other Federal agency's listing, as indicated in paragraph 2 below. Suppliers also agree to inform the Contracting Officer when sanitary approval is regained and listing is reinstated.
2. Establishments furnishing the products listed below and appearing in the publications indicated need not be listed in the worldwide directory. Additional guidance on specific listing requirements for products/plants included in or exempt from listing is provided in Appendix A of the worldwide directory.
3. Establishments exempt from Worldwide Directory listing. Refer to AR 40- 657/NAVSUPINST 4355.4H/MCO P1010.31H, Veterinary/Medical Food Safety, Quality Assurance, and Laboratory Service, for a list of establishment types that may be exempt from Worldwide Directory listing. (AR 40-657 is available from National Technical Information Service, 5301 Shawnee Road, Alexandria, VA 22312; 1-888-584-8332; or download from web site: [http://www.apd.army.mil/pdf/files/r40\\_657.pdf](http://www.apd.army.mil/pdf/files/r40_657.pdf) ) For the most current listing of exempt plants/products, see the Worldwide Directory (available at: <http://phc.amedd.army.mil/topics/foodwater/ca/Pages/DoDApprovedFoodSources.aspx>).
4. Subsistence items other than those exempt from listing in the Worldwide Directory, bearing labels reading "Distributed By", "Manufactured For", etc., are not acceptable unless the source of manufacturing/processing is indicated on the label or on accompanying shipment documentation.
5. When the Military Medical Service or other Federal agency acceptable to the Military Medical Service determines the levels of food safety and food defense of the establishment or its products have or may lead to product contamination or adulteration, the Contracting Officer will suspend the work until such conditions are remedied to the satisfaction of the appropriate inspection agency. Suspension of the work shall not extend the life of the contract, nor shall it be considered sufficient cause for the Contractor to request an extension of any delivery date. In the event the Contractor

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fails to correct such objectionable conditions within the time specified by the Contracting Officer, the Government shall have the right to terminate the contract in accordance with the "Default" clause of the contract.

- C. Delivery conveyances: The supplies delivered under this contract shall be transported in delivery conveyances maintained to prevent tampering with and /or adulteration or contamination of the supplies, and if applicable, equipped to maintain a prescribed temperature. The delivery conveyances shall be subject to inspection by the government at all reasonable times and places. When the sanitary conditions of the delivery conveyance have led, or may lead to product contamination, adulteration, constitute a health hazard, or the delivery conveyance is not equipped to maintain prescribed temperatures, or the transport results in product 'unfit for intended purpose', supplies tendered for acceptance may be rejected without further inspection.

**XXXI. QUALITY SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT VISITS & PRODUCE QUALITY AUDITS****A. Quality Assurance Visits**

1. Quality Assurance Representatives (QAR) represent DLA Troop Support region commanders for wholesome storage and procurement procedures of subsistence in their applicable region. QARs advise Contracting Officers on the wholesomeness and quality of subsistence stored, procured, and distributed in the applicable area of responsibility. They make routine visits (surveys) of vendor's facilities to ensure they meet DLA Troop Support's basic requirements for quality and sanitation. QARs provide technical recommendations to Contracting Officers on the acceptance and rejection on non-conforming products and arranges and coordinates the appropriate government inspections to ensure subsistence is adequately protected.
2. QARs will perform Quality Assurance Visits (QAVs) to verify the reliability of the contractor's quality program/inspection system. QAVs are required to provide a meaningful evaluation of a contractor's performance and to assure an equitable administration of the overall contract. The QAR may initiate inspection based on a contractor furnished Notice of Award, Invitation for Bid/Request for Proposal, Subsistence Master Solicitation, or similar document containing adequate information as to contract requirements. It is imperative that the Contracting Officer be informed of all Nonconformances, therefore; QARs shall compile information on non-conforming supplies and submit results and findings through the Ordering Officer, to the applicable Contracting Officer and other applicable members of the procurement team.

**XXXII. RECALL PROCEDURES REQUIREMENTS**

A. In the event that a product recall is initiated by the USDA, the Contractor, or the Contractor's supplier or manufacturer, the Contractor shall follow the procedures as outlined below:

1. Immediately notify the following personnel:
  - (a) Customers that have received the recalled product
  - (b) DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer
  - (c) DLA Troop Support Account Manager
  - (d) DLA Troop Support Customer Safety Officer at (215) 737- 2922
2. Provide the following information to the DLA Troop Support Consumer Safety Officer:

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- (a) Reason for recall
- (b) Type of recall, i.e., Type I, II or III
- (c) Description of product
- (d) Amount of product
- (e) List of customers that have received product
- (f) Name and phone number of responsible person (Recall Coordinator).

3. The Contractor shall provide a Final Status Report of Recall, when completed, to the DLA Troop Support Consumer Safety Officer.
4. At the discretion of the affected customers, the Contractor shall either replace at no additional cost or adjust the invoice quantity for any recalled product.

**XXXIII. PERISHABLE AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES ACT (“PACA”) LICENSE**

- A. All offerors must possess a valid PACA license at the time they submit their initial proposals. Proof of a current, valid PACA license must be submitted with the offeror's proposal or the offer may be deemed technically unacceptable and removed from further award consideration. See Addendum to FAR 52.212-2 for further details regarding this proposal submission requirement. Additionally, upon award, the Contractor must maintain a valid PACA license throughout the life of the contract. Failure to do so may result in termination of the contract.

**XXXIV. NON-COMPETE PROVISION**

- A. The offeror warrants that upon receiving the award, it will not actively promote, engage, or market any of the customers on this acquisition away from the resultant DLA Troop Support contract and onto a fresh fruits and vegetable subsistence contract or account of any other Government agency or commercial entity. This prohibition is in effect during the life of the resultant contract, and restricts competition in the specific area or zone that is the subject of this acquisition. A violation of this term may result in the Contracting Officer terminating the contract, documenting this action as part of the awardee's past performance data, and taking other appropriate recourse as permitted by contract or applicable regulations and law.
- B. Unannounced Quality Systems Managements Visits (QSMVs):
  1. The DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Quality Audit personnel may conduct unannounced Quality Systems Management Visits (QSMVs) to review the contractor's compliance with the terms of the contract. The visits will be scheduled as a result of unsatisfactory ratings received during Troop Support Produce Quality Audits, customers' complaints, requests from the Contracting Officer, or as deemed necessary by the Government. QSMVs may include visits to subcontractors, growers, and/or suppliers/food distributors used by the contractor. If DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC deems it necessary to conduct an on-site visit with a subcontractor, grower, produce supplier, and/or food distributor used by the contractor, the contractor shall make arrangements for these visits.
  2. During the QSMV the Government will review/verify the contractor's implemented Quality Program and several or all of the following areas (this list is not inclusive) as deemed necessary: The methods and procedures used to comply with the terms of the contract; condition of storage facilities; product shelf-life management; inventory in-stock (age of product and condition, labeling, product rotation, etc.); product substitutions; control of material targeted for destruction/disposal as a result of DLA

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customers' returns including DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC's audit results and recalls; review of paperwork for product destroyed/condemned including but not limited to product rated Blue/Red during the last DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC audit, customer, returns, etc.; customer's notification on product recalls (product rated Blue/Red/other reason), etc.; contractor's response to customer returns/issues, and contractor's visits to customers. The QSMV may also include unannounced visits to DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC customers served by the contractor. When the Troop Support Produce Quality Audit Team arrives at the contractor's facility, the contractor must provide the following: A copy of the current Produce Catalog for DLA customers and an inventory list of all items intended for DLA customers (identifying quantities by item, label/brand/ Grower name, items Not-in-Stock, etc.) by commodity and sorted by warehouse location.

3. The contractor's proposal will be incorporated by reference into the contract. The contractor will be responsible for complying with its proposal. Procedures and processes set forth in the contractor's proposal may be used as standards for a QSMV. If there is any conflict between the contract language and the contractor's proposal, the contract language governs.
4. The Contractor must take corrective action to address any concerns identified as a result of the QSMV. Concerns identified during the QSMV, or contractor failure to take corrective action in response to QSMV findings, will be grounds for terminating the contract. The government may, at its discretion, take other action to correct the concerns identified during the QSMV such as but not limited to another QSMV or Special Produce Audit. Such action will not eliminate the government's right to terminate the contract should the identified concerns or contractor failure to take corrective action continue.

**C. Produce Quality Audits:****1. Basic Audits**

(a) The DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Produce Quality Audit Program covers all produce items listed in the contractor's catalog (fresh, fruits and vegetables, fresh-cut products, etc.) and functions as a Service and Quality Assurance check for DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC customers to ensure customers are receiving safe produce of an optimum quality level. The audit objectives focus on the following:

1. Contractor's adherence to contractual requirements.
2. Compliance with the specified US Grade or higher.
3. The quality level of the products supplied is satisfactory and uniform.
4. There is no product misrepresentation or unapproved substitution.

(b) The Produce Quality Audit objectives are accomplished utilizing the expertise of the US. USDA Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) Fresh Products Branch personnel and DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Quality Auditors. Representatives from the above agencies form the DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Produce Quality Audit Team.

(c) Each contractor will undergo an initial audit once per contract period with the first audit occurring during the initial tier and other initial audits or QSMVs occurring once per tier period. The Audits are conducted as a product cutting. The average cost of one Produce Quality Audit is approximately \$1,000.00 (product cost only). The contractor is expected to provide samples of the Government's choice of a cost of approximately \$1,000.00 per audit. The contractor is required to provide the following support to the DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Produce Quality Audit Team: Personnel and equipment to select separate/move/discard audit samples, control of samples while at the contractor facility and during the audit. Additional cost may be incurred by the contractor if additional produce samples are selected due to initial audit failure or customer complaint or if the contractor's facility does not have a facility/kitchen or the equipment needed to perform the audit and/or space to accommodate customers attending the audit. NOTE: The Government reserves the right to conduct an Unannounced QSMV in lieu of an initial audit or a follow-up audit during the initial tier period if deemed in the best interest of the Government.

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## 2. Audit Process:

(a) The Contractor will be given advanced notice of sixty (60) calendar days of an impending audit. Notwithstanding this, the Government reserves the right to conduct unannounced Produce Quality Audits or QSMVs.

(b) The DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Produce Quality Audit is typically a two (2) day process. Day one is devoted to sample selection at the contractor's warehouse and performance of the USDA's Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) & Good Handling Practices (GHP) Audits or Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) & Food Defense Audits. Day two encompass the performance of the actual Produce Quality audit.

(c) Upon arrival at the contractor's facility (Day One), the Lead Auditor will provide a list of items identified for evaluation and the samples will be selected by a USDA-AMS' Auditor. The Lead Auditor will accompany the USDA-AMS during the performance of the GAP/GHP Audits or GMP/Food Defense Audits.

(d) Items selected for evaluation will be segregated from the contractor's regular inventory and appropriate procedures shall be used to maintain the integrity of the samples. Evidence that the contractor has replaced or tampered with samples, or otherwise interfered with the audit samples and/or audit process will result in the contractor failing the audit. One or more audit failures may be grounds for terminating the contract.

(e) During the Produce Quality Audit (Days Two), the DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Lead Auditor will assign an item rating based on compliance with or departure from stated requirements in the DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC NSN catalog and the specified US Grade Standard. Items will also be audited to determine compliance with the Berry Amendment, as applicable, approved source requirements, FDA Retail Food Code, USDA Warehousing Standards, Good Manufacturing Practice, additional provisions of the Code of Federal Regulations and other applicable standards.

(f) Failure to meet the specified US Grade, deviations from the required contract or stock number requirements will be color coded and

classified based on the severity of departure from requirements as follows:

## 1. Contractor Product Audit Ratings (Color Code Ratings Symbology):

a. ACCEPTABLE (GREEN) = Acceptable. No deviations from the contract or the item description stock number requirements.

b. MINOR NONCONFORMANCE (YELLOW) = Not fully acceptable. A Minor nonconformance is a deviation from the contract or the item description stock number requirements. This minor nonconformance is not likely to materially reduce the usability or serviceability of the item for its intended purpose and, depending on the defect, or affect is its condition and/or the continued storage of the item for further use. Products that meet the specified US Grade but exhibit product defects (decay, spoilage, skin breakdown, etc.) likely to continue affecting the condition of the product and continue deteriorating during storage and/or effecting good product if defective units are not removed from cases/containers. Examples of other minor nonconformance's: Cataloging issues; Minor or workmanship/fabrication violations (fresh pre-cut products); Minor weight violations; Minor deviations from packing, packaging, labeling and marking requirements that would not necessitate a regulatory market suspension or affect DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC's ability to recall the item. ACTION REQUIRED: Produce with defects (decay, spoilage, skin breakdown etc.) that will continue deteriorating or condition/defects that will affect the condition of good product during storage requires attention from the contractor such as reworking and removing defective product while in-storage or prior to delivering to customers. Minor nonconformance's that will not change or further deteriorate (scars, size, weight, etc.) while

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product is in-storage or when delivered to the customer may be tolerated by the customer for a short period of time (until the contractor receives a new product at OCONUS but for no more than 30 days at CONUS locations).

c. MAJOR NONCONFORMANCE (BLUE) = A major nonconformance, other than critical, is a deviation from the contract, the item description stock number and/or failure to meet the specified US Grade requirements. This major nonconformance is a deviation that materially affects or is likely to have a major effect on the serviceability, usability, condition and/or continued storage of an item for further use. Examples of major nonconformance's: Grade failures; Domestic source/regulatory/approved source violations; Wrong item; Major workmanship/fabrication violations (pre-cut items); Major weight violations; Item shelf life/ expiration date violations; Not latest season pack/crop year violations; Items that exhibit temperature abuse, and/or other off condition that although not likely to result in hazardous or unsafe conditions, the defect and/or combination of defects materially affect the item serviceability for its intended purpose; and/or major deviations from packing, packaging, labeling and markings that would necessitate a regulatory market suspension or have a major effect on DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC 's ability to recall the product. ACTION REQUIRED: The contractor is required to STOP ISSUE of the item immediately, unless otherwise approved by the Contracting Officer.

d. CRITICAL NONCONFORMANCE (RED) = A critical nonconformance is a deviation that judgment and experience indicate consumption of the item is likely to result in hazardous or unsafe conditions for individuals. An item will receive a Red Rating if it contains a critical defect(s) that involve food safety issues such as wholesomeness, foreign material, contamination or adulteration issues that judgment and experience indicate consumption of the item is likely to result in hazardous or unsafe conditions for individuals. Examples of critical nonconformance's: Items with food safety concerns are those items that exhibit contamination, foreign material, and/or other conditions that render an item unfit for human consumption. ACTION REQUIRED: Contractors are required to immediately STOP ISSUE of the product and notify DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC customers to return or dispose of the product in question and notify grower/supplier/distributor of the product (if applicable).

**2. Notes:**

a. MAJOR NONCONFORMANCE (BLUE) = In OCONUS locations only, the Contracting Officer may approve continue issue of the product because of location extenuating circumstances and on a case-by-case basis.

This approval is depending on the type and severity of the deviation/defect, the DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Quality Lead Auditor (lead Auditor that performed the audit) recommendation, customer approval, and if the substitute of equal/higher quality is Notin-Stock at OCONUS location. Continued issue of the item may require and include contractor screening/rework of the nonconforming product (removal of defective product) and follow-up Government inspection/audit to verify action taken by the contractor (at no cost to the Government for inspection/travel costs). At CONUS/OCONUS locations, only the Contracting Officer, NOT the customer or the Lead Auditor, has the authority to accept wrong items (not meeting item description cited in DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC catalog or not meeting the specified US Grade cited in the contract, etc.). The Rating assigned to the item WILL NOT be changed by the Lead Auditor because of acceptance with a waiver/rework/repair of the product in question. The DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDOPACIFIC Food Safety Office at the request of the Contracting Officer, may issue a restricted (to DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDOPACIFIC customers only) a Hazardous Food Recall for all those items originating from an unapproved source and distributed to DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC customers.

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b. CRITICAL NONCONFORMANCE (RED) = The DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Food Safety Office will issue a Hazardous Food Recall for all critical nonconformance's involving items with food safety concerns that render an item unfit for human consumption or may present a health hazard for DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC customers. If applicable, the Contracting Officer should suggest growers/suppliers of the item to review shipping documents to ensure the same item was not delivered to other DOD customers.

**3. Contractor Audit Preparation:**

(a) The contractor is responsible and will bear all costs for the facility and the equipment/supplies used during the audit. Immediately upon receipt of the audit notification, the contractor shall make arrangements to use their normal product cutting room/kitchen (if adequate) or find another facility for the audit. If there is no space available at the contractor facility or the space is inadequate other arrangements must be made by the contractor. The room must be equipped with running water. To ensure accurate weight of audited items, it is highly recommended that scales used during the audit are calibrated within the 60-day notification period and an applicable set of test weights are available to verify scale accuracy. A digital scale capable of weighing small items and a scale capable of weighing full cases are required. Cleanup of the cutting area/room and continuous cleanup of equipment will be the contractor's responsibility. The contractor must contact the Lead Auditor to discuss the location, adequacy of the facility, and equipment available as soon as possible but no later than 45 Calendar days prior to the audit. The following is the list of equipment/supplies needed:

1. Storage area to store samples selected. (Approximately 2 pallets).
2. Chill storage area for samples that require refrigeration (Approximately 2 pallets).
3. Tables for conducting the audit and demonstration.
4. Sinks/wash area equipped with sanitizing soap for cleaning knives and equipment.
5. Water jet spray attachment for the sink.
6. Calibrated Scales/Test Weights: One small digital scale able to record product weights in both ounces and grams and capable of measuring down to the nearest hundredth is preferable and a set of test weights with a recommended weight range of 1.0 ounce to 1 pound; and, one scale able to record product weights for full cases with an approximate weight range of 0 -100 lb and capable of measuring down to the nearest tenth is preferable and a 25 lbs test weight.
7. Cart to move samples around.
8. Cutting boards (two or three).

**4. Sample List / Selection of Samples:**

(a) Sample List/Selection of Samples the DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Lead Auditor will provide a list of sample items upon arrival at the contractor's facility. Two-case sample for each item will be selected. An on-hand inventory quantity report (i.e., number of cases on hand) should be developed for each item after receipt of the list. Warehousing assistance will be required to pull and prepare samples for the audit. Assistance with

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moving samples from the storage areas to the audit area and also continuous removal of items after review will be required on audit days. Some samples may require refrigeration; an area will need to be provided for sample storage. All samples must be stored in a controlled environment to protect from temperature abuse or tampering. Fruit and Vegetable commodities will consist of 8 - 13 samples (2-case/ shipping container per item) randomly selected per each commodity depending on last audit acceptability rating for each commodity. The entire contents of the two-case samples will be examined during the audit. Additional samples may be selected at the request of the Contracting Officer due to customer complaints.

Note: Certification/Documentation - To avoid delays/questions during the audit, the contractor should ensure that ALL products intended for DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC's customers are derived from Approved Sources and meet the Berry Amendment requirements (unless otherwise is excluded in the contract/FAR/DFAR or authorized by the Contracting Officer). The contractor should obtain and have certification/documentation available during the sample selection (preferable) and/or during the audit should the Lead Auditor need to review documentation to verify compliance.

**5. Audit Results:**

(a) The audit results are performance indicators that will be used in conjunction with a contractor's past performance. DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC considers 85% acceptability for each commodity (fresh fruits and vegetables) as the minimum standard for acceptable performance. Contractors will be given a detailed report on each product reviewed. It will be the Contractor's responsibility to take immediate action to correct any deficiency uncovered during the audit. Corrective action must include action to address the deficiency and the system which allowed the deficiency to occur. Audit failures and/or failure to take corrective action will be grounds for terminating the contract.

**6. Follow-Up Audits:**

(a) Follow up audits may be scheduled within a one-year period of the initial audit or sooner as deemed necessary by the Government. Grounds for follow-up audits include but are not limited to failure to obtain an acceptable rating (<85%) in the Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Commodity, repetitive failures, and customer complaints. All samples, audit facility, and equipment/supplies needed for the follow-up, same as indicated above for the initial audit, are to be at the expense of the Contractor. During a follow-up audit only the commodity that failed the initial audit (scored <85%) will be audited. Also, a commodity that had an unreasonable number of items not-in-stock (more than 50% of items listed in the contractor's catalog were NIS) during the initial audit, may also be audited during a follow-up. If the follow-up audit is for failure of the USDA-AMS' GAP, GHP, GMP and/or Food Defense audit or other non-product issue, no product will be audited during the follow-up audit.

**7. Audit Failures:**

(a) As noted herein, audit failures and/or failure to take corrective action will be grounds for terminating the contract. The government may, at its discretion, take other action to address the audit failure such as, but not limited to unannounced QSMVs and/or follow-up audits. Such action will not eliminate the government's right to terminate the contract should the deficiency or system which allowed the deficiency to occur remain uncorrected.

**C. Markings:****1. Code Dates:**

(a) Products, as applicable, shall be identified with readable open code dates clearly showing the Use by Date,

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Date of Pack (DOP), Expiration Date, Manufacturer Sell-by-Date, and/or similar marking. The contractor/packer's product label shall clearly identify the item(s) shelf-life information (using an open code date on the exterior of each case, if required or applicable). Fresh-cut products bags must be marked with the appropriate shelf life from the Date of Production (DOP).

**2. Traceability Requirements for Contractors, Contractor's Suppliers Re-Packaging and Re-Labeling Products:**

(a) All fresh fruits and vegetables must be able to be traced back to the grower/supplier of the product. If the contractor or the contractor's distributor/supplier removes the produce from the grower/packer's original packaging/shipping container and re-packages/re-labels an item, documentation must be maintained to trace back to the grower/packer to verify domestic origin, approved source as applicable, and/or in case of a hazardous food recall or an item is rated Red/Critical during a DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Produce Quality Audit. The contractor shall maintain or request from their suppliers/distributors documentation/certificates containing the following information: Item nomenclature, name of establishment/Grower, location, country of origin, date of production/pack (DOP), lot number, etc. If packaging of the item occurred in more than one establishment, documentation for each item must also be maintained / provided. These records must maintain traceability of the item to the extent that an item can be traced back to the original grower/packer of a product. In addition, the contractor shall maintain records of quantities and when and where the re-packaged/re-labeled item(s) were shipped. The contractor must be able to show/provide DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Produce Quality Audit Team the documentation for samples selected during Produce Quality Audits or Unannounced QSMVs. It is the contractor's responsibility to notify and ensure their suppliers understand and comply with this requirement. The above requirements are necessary in the event of a Hazardous Food Recall (i.e., ALFOODACT) of potentially hazardous product when a recall is issued by a Regulatory Agency and for the contractor to isolate suspected items in order to notify customers in an expeditious manner whenever products are rated "Red/Critical" during a DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC Produce Quality Audit. The above requirements serve two main purposes:

1. To protect DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC's customers and expeditiously notify them in case of accidental or intentional tempering/contamination and/or to prevent consumption of unsafe/hazardous Produce and
2. To maintain traceability of re-packaged/re-labeled products in order to verify country of origin, approved source requirement during the shelf-life cycle of a pre-cut/packaged product in the contractor storage and during the customer's receipt/storage of the product and be able to expedite the recall process for all suspected products intended for DLA TROOP SUPPORT INDO-PACIFIC customers.

**XXXV. LOCAL PURCHASE (SCHOOLS)**

- A. DLA Troop Support and the USDA support the use of local purchase to the maximum extent practicable. Therefore, Contractors are encouraged to source local produce taking into consideration price, availability, quality, and other factors.
- B. For purposes of this Solicitation, "local purchase" is defined as product purchased from growers or manufacturers within the state the customer is located, within the contract zone, or from a state bordering the state in which the customer is located.
- C. For contracts using FFAVORS catalogs, Contractors are required to include state of origin information for all products in the FFAVORS catalog. FFAVORS includes a data field for this purpose.

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- D. Within 45 days after contract award, the successful Contractor(s) for schools will submit to the Contracting Officer a Local Purchase Procurement plan which will include the following elements:
1. A list of specific items that the contractor currently purchases locally;
  2. A list of local growers from which the contractor sources product;
  3. Plans to expand the purchase of local items; and
  4. A list of resources that might assist in efforts to source more local products.
- E. Contractors may be required to attend information sessions related to local sourcing and promotion of local products.

**XXXVI. MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

- A. The Contractor shall electronically transmit the following reports to the DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer and Account Manager on a monthly basis. All reports shall be cumulative for a one (1) month period and submitted no later than the seventh day of the following month (e.g., for the reporting period of January 1 through January 31, the reports must be received by February 7).
1. Product Line Listing (Manufacturer, Grower, Private Label Holder and Redistributor, collectively referred to as "Supplier"): This report shall list all items purchased along with quantity and dollar value. It shall be sorted by Supplier and annotate whether the Supplier is a large business or small business and whether the Supplier is local or non-local.
  2. Fill Rate Report: The fill-rate is calculated by dividing the number of cases accepted by the customer by the number of cases ordered. No other method of calculating fill rates should be included. Mis-picks and damaged or rejected cases should not be included in this calculation. The report should specify fill rates per customer and an overall average fill-rate for all customers under the contract for the month being reported.
  3. Rebates, Discounts, Allowances and Other Economic Incentives (collectively referred to as "Incentives"):
    - a. All incentives for the prior month (i.e. the month being reported) that have been passed along to the customer(s) or that are due to the customer(s) shall be summarized by listing each customer and the incentive amount per line item. Also include the Supplier (see definition in section A.1. above) offering the incentive and the product usage. The total should be per customer and per order.
    - b. Also, the Contractor must report on any and all financial arrangements under which the Contractor: (i) receives money from any of the Contractor's suppliers, and (ii) asserts that such money is not an incentive that is owed to the Government under the terms of this solicitation and the resulting contract. The Contractor must report the name of each supplier that provided money to the Contractor during the month, a brief description of each financial arrangement, and, the respective dollar amount received for each financial arrangement. If a new financial arrangement (i.e. an arrangement that was not previously provided in the Contractor's proposal under this solicitation) is reported, then the monthly report must also explain why the contractor believes that the new financial arrangement

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should not be considered an incentive that would be owed to the Government under the terms of the resultant contract. This explanation is not required in the monthly report if the explanation was previously provided with the Contractor's proposal under this solicitation.

- c. The above reports shall be prepared in documents that include the Contractor's own letterhead. Said reports shall be signed by the appropriate official within the Contractor's organization holding the requisite authority to bind the Contractor and act on its behalf for purposes of this reporting. By signing such reports, the contractor certifies that it understands the reporting requirements, that it understands the relevant contractual terms and conditions, and that the information provided is true and accurate.
4. DNAD: On a monthly basis, the Contractor shall create and electronically transmit an excel spreadsheet to the Contracting Officer with the stock number, item description, case count, pounds, and dollar value of non- domestic orders filled during the month. All subsequent reports shall be cumulative for a one (1) month period and submitted no later than the seventh day of the following month (e.g. for the reporting period of June 1 through June 30, the report must be received by July 7). The Contractor shall code the EDI 832 Ref 03 (Foreign Source Indicator) with "Y" for each item that is foreign product and "N" for each item that is not foreign product. NOTE: The DNAD report is required only for Troop contracts because the Contractor is prohibited from providing any non-domestic products under the USDA contracts (i.e. contracts supporting School).
5. Customer Service Report: The Contractor shall develop and provide a report summarizing all discrepancies, complaints and all positive feedback from ordering activities and the respective resolutions by providing details of each customer service incident, including any customer service visits.
6. Descending Dollar Value Report: Sorted by line item; each line is to contain, at a minimum: DLA Troop Support stock number, Item Description, pack or size, brand description, quantity, and total dollar value of units shipped. Dollar amounts will be totaled. This report shall be submitted by individual customer accounts and also by the total customer base in each zone.
- B. The Contractor will also submit an annual report on the status of its performance regarding its Local Purchase Plan. The report will enable DLA and its customers to provide assistance as needed in identifying local sources. See Section XXXV for detailed information.

**XXXVII. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION INFORMATION**

- A. Contract Authority: The DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer is the only person authorized to approve changes, or modify any requirement of the contract. Notwithstanding any provisions contained elsewhere in the contract, said authority remains solely with the DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer.
1. In the event that the Contractor effects any change at the direction of any person other than the DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer, the change will be considered to have been made without authority and no adjustment will be made. The Contracting Officer must authorize any modification or costs associated with a change in writing.

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2. Requests for information on matters related to this contract, such as an explanation of terms or contract interpretation, shall be submitted to the DLA Troop Support Contracting Officer.

**B. Payments:** DFAS Columbus Center is the payment office for this acquisition.

1. Payment of delivery orders will be made in accordance with the terms and conditions of Paragraph (i) of FAR Clause 52.212-4 "Contract Terms and Conditions - Commercial Items" that is incorporated by reference into this solicitation.
2. Payment will be made within 10 days after the receipt of a proper invoice; however, payment is still subject to the terms and conditions of the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903). All 810 electronic invoices must be submitted with accurate, sufficient, clean data before any payment can be made. As previously noted, it is the Contractor's obligation to submit such an invoice and, absent such an invoice, no payment will be due for purposes of the Prompt Payment Act.
3. The Contractor is responsible to use MyInvoice for detailed summary of payments (line by line analysis) which can be found at: <https://wawf.eb.mil/>.
4. The Government intends to make payments under the resultant contract by electronic funds transfer ("EFT") based on the information contained in the System for Award Management Registration ("SAM"). FAR Clause 52.232- 33, "Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer- System for Award Management" is incorporated by reference.

**C. Administration:**

1. The Contracting Officer from the DLA Troop Support Pacific will perform administration of the contract. The DLA Troop Support Pacific Contracting Officer must approve any changes to the resultant contract.

**XXXVIII. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INFORMATION****A. Pricing**

1. An offeror's price proposal shall consist of prices submitted for each of the items found in the Schedule of Items (Attachment 2). The Schedule of Items is a grouping of items expected to be ordered by the customers along with the estimated quantities. The items found in the Schedule of Items represent 100% of the estimated dollar value for that particular Group. Offerors are required to submit their Contract Unit Price for each item, broken down into the corresponding Delivered Price and Distribution Price components. Pricing will be based on the following formula:

$$\text{Contract Unit Price} = (\text{Delivered Price} - \text{Rebates/Discounts}) + \text{Distribution Price}$$

See Economic Price Adjustment section of this solicitation for price component definitions.

2. Formatting of Prices: Prices shall be formatted to no more than two places to the right of the decimal point, for example, \$2.50. In the event that the offeror submits a price that exceeds this limitation, the price will be rounded

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up or down using standard rounding methods. For example, a price of \$2.215 or higher will be rounded up to \$2.22 and a price of \$2.214 or lower will be rounded down to \$2.21.

**3. Distribution Prices - Multiple Groups and Option:**

- a. **Multiple Groups.** If multiple Groups are covered under this Solicitation, the offeror is permitted to submit a separate Distribution Price for each Group. In this instance, "Group" refers to a distinct and separate set of customers that require produce support (i.e. Troops vs. Schools). In the event that an offeror includes a Distribution Price for only one Group but through its proposal submission clearly indicates that it had intended to submit a proposal for multiple Groups covered by the Solicitation (i.e. submits pricing for all items contained in the Schedule of Items for all Groups), the Contracting Officer will interpret the offeror's omission of a separate Distribution Price for the other Group as its willingness to retain the same Distribution Price as the Group it was provided for and apply it to all Groups. Per this provision, this interpretation by the Contracting Officer is reasonable and acceptable by the offeror.
- b. **Tier:** Only one Distribution Price shall be offered for all items in each period (Base Period and Tier Periods). Offerors may propose a different Distribution Price per Tier Period. As described above in paragraph A.3.a., if an offeror fails to propose a Distribution Price for all of the Periods (Base Period and Tier Periods), the Contracting Officer will utilize the proposed distribution price and apply it onward for the tier period. For instance, an offeror proposes a Distribution Price of \$3.00 for Base Period, and fails to provide any Distribution Price for Tier Period. The Contracting Officer will apply the \$3.00 Distribution Price for Tier Period. This application is reasonable and acceptable by the offeror per the terms of this section.

**B. Schedule of Items: Pricing**

1. The Schedule of Items in Attachment 2 represents 100% of the estimated dollar value of this procurement. Offerors must submit pricing for all items in the Schedule of Items. The unit prices of all items found in the Schedule of Items will be comparatively assessed to identify any unusually high or low priced items. This assessment includes, but is not limited to, comparison amongst offerors' prices as well as comparison against USDA market report prices and internal Government databases that are applicable.
2. Estimated quantities for each 18-month period (2 separate period, each consisting of an 18-month time period) are indicated next to each item and are for information and evaluation purposes only. The Offeror's proposed Contract Unit Prices found in the Schedule of Items will be multiplied by the estimated quantities by period in order to calculate the Offeror's overall aggregate total price, which will be compared against the other offerors in order to identify the lowest overall price proposal.
3. Offerors are to submit proposed prices in accordance with the definitions of the separate price components identified earlier in this Solicitation. The Delivered Prices proposed must reflect those prices that were paid by the offeror for the various items during the Sunday, October 22 through Saturday, November 25 timeframe. Upon request from the Contracting Officer, an offeror may be required to substantiate the aforementioned proposed Delivered Prices with a product invoice (quotes may

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be accepted in very limited circumstances per Contracting Officer discretion) and accompanying freight invoice. The offeror's proposed Contract Unit Prices must be in a format that identifies the Delivered Price, minus any applicable Rebates/Discounts, and the Distribution Price as separate entries, then totaled together as one lump sum (i.e. the Contract Unit Price). For example, if the Delivered Price is \$20.00, the applicable Rebates/Discounts equal \$0.25, and the Distribution Price is \$3.00 an offeror's proposed Contract Unit Price for that item should be indicated as follows:

$$(\$20.00 - \$0.25) + \$ 3.00 = \$ 22.75$$

(Prices used for illustrative purposes only)

- (a) An offeror shall NOT submit only the Contract Unit Price. All three components, as demonstrated above, shall be provided for each item.
- (b) Delivered Prices, applicable Rebates/Discounts, and Distribution Prices for all items are to be submitted according to the Government's Unit of Issue. There are NO exceptions to this requirement. Failure to do so may result in an offeror's proposal being deemed technically unacceptable and therefore eliminated from further consideration for award. Please note that all items listed in the Solicitation's Schedule of Items will ultimately become part of the Contractor's catalog.
- (c) It is important to note that the Rebates/Discounts reported by an offeror during the proposal and subsequent evaluation stage will be relied upon by the Contracting Officer in demonstrating the favorable business relationships and resulting pricing terms that the offeror has with its suppliers. These favorable pricing terms, as well as any other terms represented in its proposal, should be available and utilized during the performance of the contract if the offeror is selected as the awardee. Therefore, it is required that the offeror be realistic and accurate in its reporting of said Rebates/Discounts. **TO BE CLEAR:** All offerors are on notice that the Contracting Officer expects each's proposal to accurately reflect the way in which that offeror intends to perform the contract if it is selected as the awardee. It is unacceptable to propose favorable terms that are inaccurate, false, or unrealistic for the purpose of misleading the Contracting Officer and tainting the evaluation process so that the offending offeror receives an award. Such behavior, when discovered, will result in immediate adverse action against the offeror or contractor as permitted by the terms of this Solicitation, applicable regulations, laws, or otherwise.

**C. Distribution Prices**

1. The offeror shall provide Distribution Prices for each group (i.e. Troops vs. Schools) and for each period, as discussed in paragraph A.3. of this section. Each Distribution Price shall reflect performance costs on a per-case basis. Each group may have a different Distribution Price. Also, each period may have a different Distribution Price, but each period's Distribution Price shall apply to all items during the entire period.
  - a. Unlike Delivered Prices (as discussed further below), Distribution Prices shall remain constant for the entirety of each period. As such, the Distribution Price for Base Period does not have to be equal to the Distribution Prices for Tier Period. These prices can differ or remain the same as the Base Period price; but ultimately will remain constant for the duration of each period.

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**Form (CONTINUED)****D. Delivered Prices**

1. The offeror is required to submit pricing on all items within the Schedule of Items. For evaluation purposes, an offeror's proposed prices on the Schedule of Items shall reflect the offeror's Delivered Prices, as previously defined, that were effective from **Sunday, May 7, 2023 through Saturday, May 20, 2023.**
2. As part of the evaluation process and requirement for proposal submission, the Government requires offerors to substantiate all of its proposed Delivered Prices with an invoice / quote from the manufacturer, grower, private label holder, or redistributor (collectively referred to as "Supplier") along with the corresponding freight invoice. The line item number must be clearly marked on each invoice (product and freight) to identify the invoice's corresponding item. The preferred documentation is the manufacturer, grower, or private label holder invoice. If a particular line item was not stocked during that time period, a written quote from a manufacturer, grower or private label holder may be accepted. However, please note that anything other than an invoice, such as quotes, are the exception to the rule and may not be satisfactory to the Contracting Officer in substantiating an offeror's Delivered Price. If unsatisfactory to the Contracting Officer, said price will be unacceptable and treated as though the offeror didn't submit a price at all. This situation may result in the offeror's proposal being deemed technically unacceptable and removed from further consideration for award. If an offeror does not have an invoice, the offeror needs to explain why, e.g. not in season, do not carry, etc. As stated, the Government has a strong preference for invoices over market quotes or other documentation. All invoices, quotes, or other documentation must be from sources that the offeror currently uses or plans to use to support the resultant contract. All invoices (and other documentation as permitted) must contain realistic quantities for which the price paid was based upon. For example, an invoice for a quantity of 1 will not be accepted when the Government routinely purchases quantities well in excess of that quantity. Conversely, an invoice (and other documentation as permitted) based upon an unrealistically large quantity will not be accepted. Quotes shall not be used for the purpose of submitting a price lower than an existing invoice price within the offeror's possession for the particular time period required by the Solicitation. This type of gamesmanship (i.e. lowballing) threatens the integrity of the procurement process and runs afoul of the clear intention of this Solicitation. As such, it will not be tolerated. By submitting a quote, the offeror is certifying that it did not purchase, nor have in stock, the item for the time period being evaluated. Information that is later obtained by the Contracting Officer that casts doubt on the veracity of this certification will be handled as appropriate per the terms of this Solicitation, applicable regulations, laws, or otherwise. The Contracting Officer has the sole authority and ultimate discretion in addressing the above-identified situations and scenarios and ultimately deciding on what information is acceptable and substantiates an offeror's proposed Delivered Prices.
  - (i) Any quote must be presented in the following manner:
    - (a) Detailed on Manufacturer, Grower, or Private Label Holder letterhead;
    - (b) Date price quote was supplied;
    - (c) Time period price quote is effective; to include expiration date;
    - (d) Quantity covered by price quote;
    - (e) Manufacturer, Grower, or Private Label Holder part number; and

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(f) Manufacturer, Grower, or Private Label Holder's point of contact: including name, title, address, and phone numbers.

**E. Contract Unit Prices**

1. Prices must not extend more than two places to the right of the decimal point. Standard rounding methods must be observed. For example, a delivered price of \$2.215 or higher must be rounded up to \$2.22 and a price of \$2.214 or lower must be rounded down to \$2.21.
2. If an offeror carries a variety of brands for the same item, the price submitted shall be for the lowest priced, technically acceptable, item that meets the Government's minimum requirements.
3. All items procured under the resultant contract are subject to all contractual clauses and regulations, including, but not limited to, DFARS 252.225- 7012, Preference for Certain Domestic Commodities, and the requirement that items be procured from a sanitarily approved source. All invoices and quotes must contain sufficient information to clearly reflect compliance with solicitation/contract terms and conditions.
4. Offerors are required to submit a spreadsheet containing the following information (**Attachment 2**):
  - (a) Stock Number
  - (b) Item Description: Government Item Description
  - (c) Estimated Quantity: Quantity provided
  - (d) Unit of Issue: Self-explanatory. Note: Unit of Issue must be the same as that identified in the Government's Schedule of Items
  - (e) Delivered Price (DEP): The price you actually paid for the item minus any applicable Rebates/Discounts, as substantiated by a Manufacturer, Grower, or Private Label Holder invoice or quote. In limited circumstances as described above, this price may be substantiated by a Redistributor's invoice (Redistributor Exception). Conversely, under No circumstances will a quote be accepted from a Redistributor
  - (f) Distribution Price (DIP): Your distribution price
  - (g) Contract Unit Price: (Delivered Price - Rebates/Discounts) + Distribution Price
  - (h) Total: Estimated Quantity multiplied by Contract Unit Price
  - (i) Gov't Average Case Weight: Provided.

**F. Instructions for Proposal Spreadsheet - Attachment 2**

1. Please fill in the white boxes only. The spreadsheet will automatically calculate your total evaluated price. All prices must be rounded to two places to the right of the decimal point using standard rounding methods (see paragraph A.2. above). If an offeror does not submit Distribution Prices for the periods, the offeror's proposal may be rejected as technically unacceptable. **Distribution Prices by Period are to be expressed in dollars and cents only.** An offeror may elect to offer no change in the Distribution Prices over the life of the contract. As a reminder, all offerors must submit **ONE DISTRIBUTION PRICE** per Period that will apply to every item in a Group in the Schedule of Items. Multiple Distribution Prices within a period will not be accepted.

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2. When preparing the spreadsheet, totals must appear in the rows titled “BASE PERIOD EVALUATION”, “TIER PERIOD EVALUATION” and “TOTAL EVALUATION”.

G. Financial Arrangements: As part of a proposal, an offeror must submit, on signed letterhead, a list identifying any and all financial arrangements under which the offeror:

(i) receives money from any of the offeror's suppliers, and

(ii) asserts that such money is not a rebate, discount, or other economic incentive that would be owed to the Government under the terms of this solicitation and the resulting contract.

The offeror must provide the name of each supplier with whom the contractor has such a financial arrangement(s), provide a brief description of each financial arrangement, provide written agreement, and explain why the offeror believes that each financial arrangement should not be considered a rebate, discount, or other incentive that would be owed to the Government under the terms of this solicitation and the resulting contract.

Note: A negative response is required.

H. Proposal Submission: Each offeror must submit:

- (i) a signed copy of the solicitation (and amendments, if applicable)
- (ii) all solicitation attachments (including Attachment 2 with proposed prices),
- (iii) signed financial arrangement information,
- (iv) a copy of a valid PACA License

**Part 12 Clauses****INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS****52.212-1 Instructions to Offerors - Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Nov 2021)****Addendum to 52.212-1 Instructions to Offerors - Commercial Products and Commercial Services**

Proposal Submission: Each offeror must submit:

- (1) A signed copy of cover letter
- (2) Attachment 1 with proposed prices (Excel Spreadsheet - Schedule Items)

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 there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

**Questions pertaining to this solicitation shall be submitted in writing, no later than 8:00 a.m. Hawaii Standard Time (HST), June 19, 2023. PROPOSALS ARE DUE NO LATER THAN 10:00 AM HST, June 26, 2023.**

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Please email proposal to [michael.juan@dla.mil](mailto:michael.juan@dla.mil) and [jean.ross@dla.mil](mailto:jean.ross@dla.mil). It is the offeror's responsibility to confirm receipt of proposal.

**Points of Contact:**

- **Michael Juan - email: [michael.juan@dla.mil](mailto:michael.juan@dla.mil)**

- **Jean Ross - email: [jean.ross@dla.mil](mailto:jean.ross@dla.mil)**

Limit the file size of any individual email attachment to 5MB, and the total size of any email to 10MB. Multiple email submissions may be required. If submitting multiple emails as a proposal submission, label each email with a number (e.g., 1 of 3, accordingly). After transmitting an email submission, offerors should confirm receipt of all emails with the intended recipients.

Facsimile is not an acceptable form of transmission for submission of initial proposals or revisions to initial proposals submitted in response to this solicitation. As directed by the Contracting Officer, facsimile may be used during discussions/negotiations, if discussions/ negotiations are held, for proposal revisions, including Final Proposal Revisions.

52.212-2 Evaluation - Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Nov 2021) **ADDENDUM to FAR 52.212-2,**

**Evaluation of Commercial Items**

(a) The Government will award contract(s) resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror(s) whose offer(s) conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. **Lowest Price Technically Acceptable (LPTA) source selection procedures will be used as the source selection method in this procurement.** The following factors shall be used to evaluate offers:

**1. Technical Acceptability** - A technically acceptable offer is an offer that takes no exceptions to the terms and conditions in the solicitation and complies fully with all submission requirements. A proposal that takes exception to solicitation terms and conditions or that fails to comply with all submission requirements may be deemed technically unacceptable and, thus, may be found ineligible, and removed from further consideration, for the awards. By submitting a proposal with no exceptions, an offeror is confirming it possesses the necessary facilities, equipment, technical skills and capacity to successfully provide all items required by this solicitation.

**A. Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act (PACA) License** - The offeror shall possess and submit proof of a valid current PACA license.

**B. Good Agricultural Practice (GAP) and Good Handling Practices (GHP) Audit** - The offeror shall submit a valid, current USDA GAP/GHP audit report / certificate covering a full range of fresh fruits and vegetables for each place of performance identified in the offeror's proposal. The audit report must demonstrate a passing score, and specifically passing in the following sections: General (Section 1), Wholesale Distribution (Section 6) and Preventive Food Defense (Section 7). In lieu of a USDA GAP/GHP audit report / certificate, the offeror may submit an audit report / certificate conducted by a recognized private independent third-party certifying company certifying to an industry recognized food safety standard that exceeds all aspects of the USDA GAP/GHP audit report / certificate requirements. The audit report(s) must demonstrate that a passing score (s) was/were received. **NOTE: Offerors relying on a non-USDA GAP/GHP audit report / certificate must agree to have a USA GAP/GHP audit report / certificate for each place of performance by the start of contract performance.**

**2. Pricing** - Pricing is required for all items found in the Schedule of Items. Failure to offer pricing for all items and for all tiers may result in a proposal being removed from consideration for award as technically unacceptable. The

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Government will perform an aggregate price analysis for all items found in the Schedule of Items. To determine an offeror's evaluated aggregate price, the estimated quantities in the Schedule of Items will be multiplied by the unit prices to determine the lowest aggregate price to the Government. Offered prices, on an individual line item basis, will be evaluated to determine fair and reasonableness. The award will be made on the basis of the lowest Evaluated Aggregate Price of proposals meeting or exceeding the acceptability standards for non-price factors.

The Government reserves the right to remove item(s) from the Schedule of Items or do a common item comparison if offerors do not submit pricing for all items. Prior to award, the offered prices of the presumptive awardee(s) will be evaluated on an individual line-item basis to determine whether each price is fair and reasonable using analytical techniques deemed appropriate by the Contracting Officer in her/his complete discretion.

Past Performance will not be used as an evaluation factor for this solicitation because other technical evaluation factors are sufficient to ensure performance for the commercial items being procured. Past performance will be considered in a determination of responsibility for the successful offeror prior to award.

(b) Options are not included in this solicitation.

(c) 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. The Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract without discussions with offerors. Therefore, the offeror's initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint. However, the Government reserves the right to conduct discussions if later determined by the Contracting Officer to be necessary. The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the public interest; accept other than the lowest offer; and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received. The resultant award will be for a single IDIQ contract.

**52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS - COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (DEC 2022) FAR****52.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS---COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (MAR 2023) FAR**

As prescribed in [12.301\(b\)\(4\)](#), insert the following clause:

- (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:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

- 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.)

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- (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).
- (8) 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).
- (9) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (OCT 2018) (41 U.S.C. 2313).
- (10) [Reserved]
- (11) 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole Source Award (OCT 2022) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
- (12) 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).
- (13) [Reserved]
- (14)(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.
- (15)(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.
- (16) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (OCT 2022) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).
- (17)(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.
- (18)(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.
- (19) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (OCT 2022) (15 U.S.C. 657s).
- (20) 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages --Subcontracting Plan (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)(F)(i)).
- (21) 52.219-27, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (OCT 2022) (15 U.S.C. 657f).
- (22)(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.
- (23) 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)).
- (24) 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)).
- (25) 52.219-32, Orders Issued Directly Under Small Business Reserves (MAR 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
- (26) 52.219-33, Nonmanufacturer Rule (SEP 2021) (15 U.S.C. 657s).
- (27) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (JUN 2003) (E.O. 11755).
- (28) 52.222-19, Child Labor --Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (DEC 2022) (E.O. 13126).
- (29) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).
- (30)(i) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (SEPT 2016) (E.O. 11246).
- (ii) Alternate I (Feb 1999) of 52.222-26.
- (31)(i) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (ii) Alternate I (July 2014) of 52.222-35.
- (32)(i) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 2020) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- (ii) Alternate I (July 2014) of 52.222-36.
- (33) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (34) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496).
- (35)(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).
- ((36) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (MAY 2022). (E. O. 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.)
- (37)(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.)
- (38) 52.223-11, Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- (39) 52.223-12, Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- (40)(i) 52.223-13, Acquisition of EPEAT<sup>®</sup>-Registered Imaging Equipment (JUN 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
- (ii) Alternate I (OCT 2015) of 52.223-13.
- (41)(i) 52.223-14, Acquisition of EPEAT<sup>®</sup>-Registered Televisions (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
- (ii) Alternate I (Jun 2014) of 52.223-14.
- (42) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (MAY 2020) (42 U.S.C. 8259b).
- (43)(i) 52.223-16, Acquisition of EPEAT<sup>®</sup>-Registered Personal Computer Products (OCT 2015) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
- (ii) Alternate I (Jun 2014) of 52.223-16.
- (44) 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (JUN 2020) (E.O. 13513).

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(45) 52.223-20, Aerosols (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(46) 52.223-21, Foams (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(47)(i) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

(ii) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of 52.224-3.

(48) 52.225-1, Buy American - Supplies (NOV 2021) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83).

(49)(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.

(50) 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (DEC 2022) (19 U.S.C. 2501, *et seq.*, 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).

(51) 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).

(52) 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).

(53) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (NOV 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

(54) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (NOV 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

(55) 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (FEB 2021).

(56) 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).

(57) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Products and Commercial Services (NOV 2021) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 3805).

(58) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer --System for Award Management (OCT 2018) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

(59) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer --Other than System for Award Management (JUL 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

(60) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (MAY 2014) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

(61) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (AUG 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

(62) 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (JAN 2017)(15 U.S.C. 637(d)(13)).

(63)(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: [*Contracting Officer check as appropriate.*]

(1) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (AUG 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(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) (29 U.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).

(7) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (JAN 2022).

(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

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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) 52.219 -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.
- (vi) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).
- (vii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O. 11246).
- (viii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (ix) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 2020) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- (x) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (JUN 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (xi) 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.
- (xii) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (AUG 2018)(41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (xiii) (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).
- (xiv) 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).
- (xv) 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).
- (xvi) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (MAY 2022) (E. O. 12989).
- (xvii) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (JAN 2022)
- (xviii) 52.222-62 Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2022) (E.O. 13706).
- (xix)(A) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).  
(B) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of 52.224-3.
- (xx) 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).
- (xxi) 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.
- (xxii) 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.
- (xxiii) 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)

**CLAUSES ADDED TO PART 12 BY ADDENDUM****52.203-14 DISPLAY OF HOTLINE POSTER (NOV 2021) FAR**

As prescribed in [3.1004\(b\)](#), insert the following clause:

(a) Definition.

“United States,” as used in this clause, means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.

(b) Display of fraud hotline poster(s). Except as provided in paragraph (c).

(1) During contract performance in the United States, the Contractor shall prominently display in common work areas within business segments performing work under this contract and at contract work sites.

(i) Any agency fraud hotline poster or Department of Homeland Security (DHS) fraud hotline poster identified in paragraph (b)(3) of this clause; and

(ii) Any DHS fraud hotline poster subsequently identified by the Contracting Officer.

(2) Additionally, if the Contractor maintains a company website as a method of providing information to employees, the Contractor shall display an electronic version of the poster(s) at the website.

(3) Any required posters may be obtained as follows:

**Poster(s)**                      **Obtain from**

(Contracting Officer shall insert ---

(i) Appropriate agency name(s) and/or title of applicable Department of Homeland Security fraud hotline poster); and

(ii) The website(s) or other contact information for obtaining the poster(s).)

(c) If the Contractor has implemented a business ethics and conduct awareness program, including a reporting mechanism, such as a hotline poster, then the Contractor need not display any agency fraud hotline posters as required in paragraph (b) of this clause, other than any required DHS posters.

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(d) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (d), in all subcontracts that exceed the threshold specified in Federal Acquisition Regulation 3.1004(b)(1) on the date of subcontract award, except when the subcontract—

- (1) Is for the acquisition of a commercial product or commercial service; or
- (2) Is performed entirely outside the United States.

(End of clause)

**252.203-7002 REQUIREMENT TO INFORM EMPLOYEES OF WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS (DEC 2022) DFARS****252.204-7003 CONTROL OF GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL WORK PRODUCT (APR 1992) DFARS****252.204-7009 LIMITATIONS ON THE USE OR DISCLOSURE OF THIRD-PARTY CONTRACTOR REPORTED CYBER INCIDENT INFORMATION (JAN 2023) DFARS****252.204-7012 SAFEGUARDING COVERED DEFENSE INFORMATION AND CYBER INCIDENT REPORTING (JAN 2023) DFARS****252.204-7014 LIMITATIONS ON THE USE OR DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION BY LITIGATION SUPPORT CONTRACTORS (JAN 2023) DFARS****52.216-2 ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT - STANDARD SUPPLIES (NOV 2021) FAR**

As prescribed in [16.203-4\(a\)](#), insert the following clause:

(a) The Contractor warrants that the unit price stated in the Schedule for is not in excess of the Contractor's applicable established price in effect on the contract date for like quantities of the same item. The term unit price excludes any part of the price directly resulting from requirements for preservation, packaging, or packing beyond standard commercial practice. The term established price means a price that (1) is an established catalog or market price for a commercial product sold in substantial quantities to the general public, and (2) is the net price after applying any standard trade discounts offered by the Contractor

(b) The Contractor shall promptly notify the Contracting Officer of the amount and effective date of each decrease in any applicable established price. Each corresponding contract unit price shall be decreased by the same percentage that the established price is decreased. The decrease shall apply to those items delivered on and after the effective date of the decrease in the Contractor's established price, and this contract shall be modified accordingly.

(c) If the Contractor's applicable established price is increased after the contract date, the corresponding contract unit price shall be increased, upon the Contractor's written request to the Contracting Officer, by the same percentage that the established price is increased, and the contract shall be modified accordingly, subject to the following limitations:

- (1) The aggregate of the increases in any contract unit price under this clause shall not exceed 10 percent of the original contract unit price.
- (2) The increased contract unit price shall be effective (i) on the effective date of the increase in the applicable established price if the Contracting Officer receives the Contractor's written request within 10 days thereafter or (ii) if the written request is received later, on the date the Contracting Officer receives the request.
- (3) The increased contract unit price shall not apply to quantities scheduled under the contract for delivery before the effective date of the increased contract unit price, unless failure to deliver before that date results from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor, within the meaning of the Default clause.
- (4) No modification increasing a contract unit price shall be executed under this paragraph (c) until the Contracting Officer verifies the increase in the applicable established price.
- (5) Within 30 days after receipt of the Contractor's written request, the Contracting Officer may cancel, without liability to either party, any undelivered portion of the contract items affected by the requested increase.
- (d) During the time allowed for the cancellation provided for in subparagraph (c)(5) above, and thereafter if there is no cancellation, the Contractor shall continue deliveries according to the contract delivery schedule, and the Government shall pay for such deliveries at the contract unit price, increased to the extent provided by paragraph (c) above.

(End of clause)

**52.216-19 ORDER LIMITATIONS (OCT 1995) FAR**

As prescribed in [16.506\(b\)](#), insert a clause substantially the same as follows:

- (a) Minimum order. When the Government requires supplies or services covered by this contract in an amount of less than **100** [insert dollar figure or quantity], the Government is not obligated to purchase, nor is the Contractor obligated to furnish, those supplies or services under the contract.
- (b) Maximum order. The Contractor is not obligated to honor --
  - (1) Any order for a single item in excess of [insert dollar figure or quantity];
  - (2) Any order for a combination of items in excess of [insert dollar figure or quantity]; or
  - (3) A series of orders from the same ordering office within days that together call for quantities exceeding the limitation in paragraph (b)(1) or (2) of this section.
- (c) If this is a requirements contract (i.e., includes the Requirements clause at subsection [52.216-21](#) of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)), the Government is not required to order a part of any one requirement from the Contractor if that requirement exceeds the maximum-order limitations in paragraph (b) of this section.
- (d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, the Contractor shall honor any order exceeding the maximum order limitations in paragraph (b),

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unless that order (or orders) is returned to the ordering office within days after issuance, with written notice stating the Contractor's intent not to ship the item (or items) called for and the reasons. Upon receiving this notice, the Government may acquire the supplies or services from another source.  
(End of clause)

**252.225-7001 BUY AMERICAN AND BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM - BASIC (JAN 2023) DFARS**

**252.225-7001 BUY AMERICAN AND BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM — ALTERNATE I (JAN 2023) DFARS**

**252.225-7002 QUALIFYING COUNTRY SOURCES AS SUBCONTRACTORS (MAR 2022) DFARS**

**252.225-7012 PREFERENCE FOR CERTAIN DOMESTIC COMMODITIES (APR 2022) DFARS**

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause --

“Component” means any item supplied to the Government as part of an end product or of another component.

“End product” means supplies delivered under a line item of this contract.

“Qualifying country” means a country with a reciprocal defense procurement memorandum of understanding or international agreement with the United States in which both countries agree to remove barriers to purchases of supplies produced in the other country or services performed by sources of the other country, and the memorandum or agreement complies, where applicable, with the requirements of section 36 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2776) and with 10 U.S.C. 2457. Accordingly, the following are qualifying countries:

Australia  
Austria  
Belgium  
Canada  
Czech Republic  
Denmark  
Egypt  
Estonia  
Finland  
France  
Germany  
Greece  
Israel  
Italy  
Japan  
Latvia  
Lithuania  
Luxembourg  
Netherlands  
Norway  
Poland  
Portugal  
Slovenia  
Spain  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Turkey  
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

“Structural component of a tent” --

(1) Means a component that contributes to the form and stability of the tent (e.g., poles, frames, flooring, guy ropes, pegs); and

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(2) Does not include equipment such as heating, cooling, or lighting.

“United States” means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.

“U.S.-flag vessel” means a vessel of the United States or belonging to the United States, including any vessel registered or having national status under the laws of the United States.

(b) The Contractor shall deliver under this contract only such of the following items, either as end products or components, that have been grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced in the United States:

(1) Food.

(2) Clothing and the materials and components thereof, other than sensors, electronics, or other items added to, and not normally associated with, clothing and the materials components thereof. Clothing includes items such as outerwear, headwear, underwear, nightwear, footwear, hosiery, handwear, belts, badges, and insignia.

(3)(i) Tents and structural components of tents;

(ii) Tarpaulins; or

(iii) Covers.

(4) Cotton and other natural fiber products.

(5) Woven silk or woven silk blends.

(6) Spun silk yarn for cartridge cloth.

(7) Synthetic fabric, and coated synthetic fabric, including all textile fibers and yarns that are for use in such fabrics.

(8) Canvas products.

(9) Wool (whether in the form of fiber or yarn or contained in fabrics, materials, or manufactured articles).

(10) Any item of individual equipment (Federal Supply Class 8465) manufactured from or containing fibers, yarns, fabrics, or materials listed in this paragraph (b).

(c) This clause does not apply --

(1) To items listed in section 25.104(a) of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, or other items for which the Government has determined that a satisfactory quality and sufficient quantity cannot be acquired as and when needed at U.S. market prices;

(2) To incidental amounts of cotton, other natural fibers, or wool incorporated in an end product, for which the estimated value of the cotton, other natural fibers, or wool --

(i) Is not more than 10 percent of the total price of the end product; and

(ii) Does not exceed the threshold at Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement [225.7002-2\(a\)](#);

(3) To waste and byproducts of cotton or wool fiber for use in the production of propellants and explosives;

(4) To foods, other than fish, shellfish, or seafood, that have been manufactured or processed in the United States, regardless of where the foods (and any component if applicable) were grown or produced. Fish, shellfish, or seafood manufactured or processed in the United States and fish, shellfish, or seafood contained in foods manufactured or processed in the United States shall be provided in accordance with paragraph (d) of this clause;

(5) To chemical warfare protective clothing produced in a qualifying country; or

(6) To fibers and yarns that are for use in synthetic fabric or coated synthetic fabric (but does apply to the synthetic or coated synthetic fabric itself), if --

(i) The fabric is to be used as a component of an end product that is not a textile product. Examples of textile products, made in whole or in part of fabric, include  $\frac{3}{4}$

(A) Draperies, floor coverings, furnishings, and bedding (Federal Supply Group 72, Household and Commercial Furnishings and Appliances);

(B) Items made in whole or in part of fabric in Federal Supply Group 83, Textile/leather/furs/apparel/findings/tents/flags, or Federal Supply Group 84, Clothing, Individual Equipment and Insignia;

(C) Upholstered seats (whether for household, office, or other use); and

(D) Parachutes (Federal Supply Class 1670); or

(ii) The fibers and yarns are para-aramid fibers and continuous filament para-aramid yarns manufactured in a qualifying country.

(d)(1) Fish, shellfish, and seafood delivered under this contract, or contained in foods delivered under this contract --

(i) Shall be taken from the sea by U.S.-flag vessels; or

(ii) If not taken from the sea, shall be obtained from fishing within the United States; and

(2) Any processing or manufacturing of the fish, shellfish, or seafood shall be performed on a U.S.-flag vessel or in the United States.

(End of clause)

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(i) For cost-type line items, including labor-hour or time-and-materials, submit a cost voucher.

(ii) For fixed price line items -

(A) That require shipment of a deliverable, submit the invoice and receiving report specified by the Contracting Officer.

(Contracting Officer: Insert applicable invoice and receiving report document type(s) for fixed price line items that require shipment of a deliverable.)

(B) For services that do not require shipment of a deliverable, submit either the Invoice 2in1, which meets the requirements for the invoice and receiving report, or the applicable invoice and receiving report, as specified by the Contracting Officer.

(Contracting Officer: Insert either "Invoice 2in1" or the applicable invoice and receiving report document type(s) for fixed price line items for services.)

(iii) For customary progress payments based on costs incurred, submit a progress payment request.

(iv) For performance based payments, submit a performance based payment request.

(v) For commercial financing, submit a commercial financing request.

(2) Fast Pay requests are only permitted when Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.213-1 is included in the contract.

[Note: The Contractor may use a WAWF "combo" document type to create some combinations of invoice and receiving report in one step.]

(3) *Document routing.* The Contractor shall use the information in the Routing Data Table below only to fill in applicable fields in WAWF when creating payment requests and receiving reports in the system.**Routing Data Table \***

Field Name in WAWF	Data to be entered in WAWF
Pay Official DoDAAC	
Issue By DoDAAC	
Admin DoDAAC	
Inspect By DoDAAC	
Ship To Code	
Ship From Code	
Mark For Code	

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Field Name in WAWF	Data to be entered in WAWF
Service Approver	
Service Approver (DoDAAC)	
Accept at Other DoDAAC	
LPO DoDAAC	
DCAA Auditor DoDAAC	
Other DoDAAC(s)	

(\* Contracting Officer: Insert applicable DoDAAC information. If multiple ship to/acceptance locations apply, insert "See Schedule" or "Not applicable.")

(\*\* Contracting Officer: If the contract provides for progress payments or performance-based payments, insert the DoDAAC for the contract administration office assigned the functions under FAR 42.302(a)(13).)

(4) *Payment request.* The Contractor shall ensure a payment request includes documentation appropriate to the type of payment request in accordance with the payment clause, contract financing clause, or Federal Acquisition Regulation 52.216-7, Allowable Cost and Payment, as applicable.

(5) *Receiving report.* The Contractor shall ensure a receiving report meets the requirements of DFARS Appendix F.

(g) *WAWF point of contact.* (1) The Contractor may obtain clarification regarding invoicing in WAWF from the following contracting activity's WAWF point of contact.

(Contracting Officer: Insert applicable information or "Not applicable.")

(2) Contact the WAWF helpdesk at 866-618-5988, if assistance is needed.

**252.232-7010 LEVIES ON CONTRACT PAYMENTS (DEC 2006) DFARS****52.233-3 PROTEST AFTER AWARD (AUG 1996) FAR****252.244-7000 SUBCONTRACTS FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 2023) DFARS****252.246-7007 CONTRACTOR COUNTERFEIT ELECTRONIC PART DETECTION AND AVOIDANCE SYSTEM (JAN 2023) DFARS****252.246-7008 SOURCES OF ELECTRONIC PARTS (JAN 2023) DFARS****52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998) FAR**

As prescribed in [52.107\(b\)](#), insert the following clause:

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):

FAR: <https://www.acquisition.gov/?q=browsefar>

DFARS: <https://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/dfarspgi/current/index.html>

DLAD: <http://www.dla.mil/HQ/Acquisition/Offers/DLAD.aspx>

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**52.253-1 COMPUTER GENERATED FORMS (JAN 1991) FAR****252.204-7018 PROHIBITION ON THE ACQUISITION OF COVERED DEFENSE TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES (JAN 2023) DFARS****252.225-7048 EXPORT CONTROLLED ITEMS (JUN 2013) DFARS****252.225-7051 PROHIBITION ON ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN FOREIGN COMMERCIAL SATELLITE SERVICES (DEC 2022) DFARS****52.232-39 UNENFORCEABILITY OF UNAUTHORIZED OBLIGATIONS (JUN 2013) FAR****Attachments**

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**Part 12 Provisions****52.212-3 OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS --- COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS AND COMMERCIAL SERVICES (CLASS DEVIATION 2023-O0002) (DEC 2022) FAR**

As prescribed in [12.301\(b\)\(2\)](#), insert the following provision:

The Offeror shall complete only paragraph (b) of this provision if the Offeror has completed the annual representations and certification electronically in the System for Award Management (SAM) accessed through <https://www.sam.gov>. If the Offeror has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically, the Offeror shall complete only paragraphs (c) through (v) of this provision.

(a) *Definitions*. As used in this provision -

*Covered telecommunications equipment or services* has the meaning provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

*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 eligible under the WOSB Program.

*Forced or indentured child labor* means all work or service -

(1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not offer himself voluntarily; or

(2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process or penalties.

*Highest-level owner* means the entity that owns or controls an immediate owner of the offeror, or that owns or controls one or more entities that control an immediate owner of the offeror. No entity owns or exercises control of the highest level owner.

*Immediate owner* means an entity, other than the offeror, that has direct control of the offeror. Indicators of control include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following: Ownership or interlocking management, identity of interests among family members, shared facilities and equipment, and the common use of employees.

*Inverted domestic corporation* means a foreign incorporated entity that meets the definition of an inverted domestic corporation under [6 U.S.C. 395\(b\)](#), applied in accordance with the rules and definitions of [6 U.S.C. 395\(c\)](#).

*Manufactured end product* means any end product in product and service codes (PSCs) 1000-9999, except -

- (1) PSC 5510, Lumber and Related Basic Wood Materials;
- (2) Product or Service Group (PSG) 87, Agricultural Supplies;
- (3) PSG 88, Live Animals;
- (4) PSG 89, Subsistence;
- (5) PSC 9410, Crude Grades of Plant Materials;
- (6) PSC 9430, Miscellaneous Crude Animal Products, Inedible;
- (7) PSC 9440, Miscellaneous Crude Agricultural and Forestry Products;
- (8) PSC 9610, Ores;
- (9) PSC 9620, Minerals, Natural and Synthetic; and
- (10) PSC 9630, Additive Metal Materials.

*Place of manufacture* means the place where an end product is assembled out of components, or otherwise made or processed from raw materials into the finished product that is to be provided to the Government. If a product is disassembled and reassembled, the place of reassembly is not the place of manufacture.

*Predecessor* means an entity that is replaced by a successor and includes any predecessors of the predecessor.

*Reasonable inquiry* has the meaning provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

*Restricted business operations* means business operations in Sudan that include power production activities, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or the production of military equipment, as those terms are defined in the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 ([Pub. L. 110-174](#)).

Restricted business operations do not include business operations that the person (as that term is defined in Section 2 of the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007) conducting the business can demonstrate -

- (1) Are conducted under contract directly and exclusively with the regional government of southern Sudan;
- (2) Are conducted pursuant to specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the Department of the Treasury, or are expressly exempted under Federal law from the requirement to be conducted under such authorization;
- (3) Consist of providing goods or services to marginalized populations of Sudan;
- (4) Consist of providing goods or services to an internationally recognized peacekeeping force or humanitarian organization;
- (5) Consist of providing goods or services that are used only to promote health or education; or
- (6) Have been voluntarily suspended.

*Sensitive technology* -

(1) Means hardware, software, telecommunications equipment, or any other technology that is to be used specifically -

- (i) To restrict the free flow of unbiased information in Iran; or
- (ii) To disrupt, monitor, or otherwise restrict speech of the people of Iran; and

(2) Does not include information or informational materials the export of which the President does not have the authority to regulate or prohibit pursuant to

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section 203(b)(3) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act ([50 U.S.C. 1702\(b\)\(3\)](#)).

*Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern* -

(1) Means a small business concern -

(i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service - disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and

(ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.

(2) *Service-disabled veteran* means a veteran, as defined in [38 U.S.C. 101\(2\)](#), with a disability that is service-connected, as defined in [38 U.S.C. 101\(16\)](#).

*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 size standards in this solicitation.

(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*, consistent with [13 CFR 124.1002](#), means a small business concern under the size standard applicable to the acquisition, that -

(1) Is at least 51 percent unconditionally and directly owned (as defined at [13 CFR 124.105](#)) by -

(i) 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

(ii) Each individual claiming economic disadvantage has a net worth not exceeding \$850,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at [13 CFR 124.104\(c\)\(2\)](#); 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 paragraphs (1)(i) and (ii) of this definition.

*Subsidiary* means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned -

(1) Directly by a parent corporation; or

(2) Through another subsidiary of a parent corporation.

*Successor* means an entity that has replaced a predecessor by acquiring the assets and carrying out the affairs of the predecessor under a new name (often through acquisition or merger). The term "successor" does not include new offices/divisions of the same company or a company that only changes its name. The extent of the responsibility of the successor for the liabilities of the predecessor may vary, depending on State law and specific circumstances.

*Veteran-owned small business concern* means a small business concern -

(1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at [38 U.S.C. 101\(2\)](#)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and

(2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

*Women-owned business concern* means a concern which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its stock is owned by one or more women; and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

*Women-owned small business concern* means a small business concern -

(1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and

(2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

*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) *Annual Representations and Certifications*. Any changes provided by the Offeror in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications in SAM.

(2) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically in SAM accessed through <http://www.sam.gov>. After reviewing SAM 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 Products and Commercial Services, have been entered or updated in the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard(s) applicable to the NAICS code(s) referenced for this solicitation), at the time this offer is submitted and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201), except for paragraphs .

[Offeror to identify the applicable paragraphs at (c) through (v) of this provision that the offeror has completed for the purposes of this solicitation only, if any.

These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted electronically on SAM.]

(c) Offerors must complete the following representations when the resulting contract is for supplies to be delivered or services to be performed in the United States or its outlying areas, or when the contracting officer has applied part 19 in accordance with 19.000(b)(1)(ii). Check all that apply.

(1) *Small business concern*. 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) *Veteran-owned small business concern*. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it  is,  is not a veteran-owned small business concern.

(3) *Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern*. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a veteran-owned small business concern in

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paragraph (c)(2) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that -

- (i) It  is  is not a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern; or
- (ii) It  is,  is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of [13 CFR 125.18\(b\)\(1\)](#) and [\(2\)](#). [The offeror shall enter the name and unique entity identifier of each party to the joint venture: . Each service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern participating in the joint venture shall provide representation of its service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern status.
- (4) *Small disadvantaged business concern.* [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 small disadvantaged business concern as defined in [13 CFR 124.1002](#).
- (5) *Women-owned small business concern.* [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 business concern.
- (6) *WOSB joint venture eligible under the WOSB Program.* The offeror represents 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: .]
- (7) *Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) joint venture.* The offeror represents 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: .]
- Note to paragraphs (c)(8) and (9):  
Complete paragraphs (c)(8) and (9) only if this solicitation is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.
- (8) *Women-owned business concern (other than small business concern).* [Complete only if the offeror is a women-owned business concern and did not represent itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it  is, a women-owned business concern.
- (9) *Tie bid priority for labor surplus area concerns.* If this is an invitation for bid, small business offerors may identify the labor surplus areas in which costs to be incurred on account of manufacturing or production (by offeror or first-tier subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contract price:
- (10) *HUBZone small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that -
- (i) It  is,  is not a HUBZone small business concern listed, on the date of this representation, as having been certified by SBA as a HUBZone small business concern in the Dynamic Small Business Search and SAM, and will attempt to maintain an employment rate of HUBZone residents of 35 percent of its employees during performance of a HUBZone contract (see [13 CFR 126.200\(e\)\(1\)](#)); and
- (ii) 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 shall provide representation of its HUBZone status.
- (d) Representations required to implement provisions of Executive Order 11246 -
- (1) Previous contracts and compliance. The offeror represents that -
- (i) It  has,  has not participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this solicitation; and
- (ii) It  has,  has not filed all required compliance reports.
- (2) Affirmative Action Compliance. The offeror represents that -
- (i) It  has developed and has on file,  has not developed and does not have on file, at each establishment, affirmative action programs required by rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor ([41 CFR parts 60-1](#) and [60-2](#)), or
- (ii) It  has not previously had contracts subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor.
- (e) *Certification Regarding Payments to Influence Federal Transactions* ([31 U.S.C. 1352](#)). (Applies only if the contract is expected to exceed \$150,000.) 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) *Buy American Certificate.* (Applies only if the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.225-1, Buy American - Supplies, is included in this solicitation.)
- (1)(i) The Offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that each domestic end product listed in paragraph (f)(3) of this provision contains a critical component.
- (ii) 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".
- (iii) The Offeror shall separately list the line item numbers of domestic end products that contain a critical component (see FAR 25.105).
- (iv) The terms "commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item," "critical component," "domestic end product," "end product," "foreign end product," and "United States" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Supplies."
- (2) Foreign End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin	Exceeds 55% domestic content (yes/no)

[List as necessary]

(3) Domestic end products containing a critical component:  
Line Item No.

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(4) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR part 25.

(g)(1) *Buy American - Free Trade Agreements - Israeli Trade Act Certificate.* (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-3, Buy American - Free Trade Agreements - Israeli Trade Act, is included in this solicitation.)

(i)(A) The Offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (iii) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that each domestic end product listed in paragraph (g)(1)(iv) of this provision contains a critical component.

(B) The terms “Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end product,” “commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item,” “critical component,” “domestic end product,” “end product,” “foreign end product,” “Free Trade Agreement country,” “Free Trade Agreement country end product,” “Israeli end product,” and “United States” are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American - Free Trade Agreements - Israeli Trade Act.”

(ii) The Offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American - Free Trade Agreements - Israeli Trade Act.”

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(iii) The Offeror shall list those supplies that are foreign end products (other than those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of this provision) as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American - Free Trade Agreements - Israeli Trade Act.” The Offeror shall list as other 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”.

Other Foreign End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin	Exceeds 55% domestic content (yes/no)

[List as necessary]

(iv) The Offeror shall list the line item numbers of domestic end products that contain a critical component (see FAR 25.105).

Line Item No.

[List as necessary]

(v) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR part 25.

(2) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate II.* If Alternate II to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American --Free Trade Agreements --Israeli Trade Act”:

Israeli End Products

Line Item No.

[List as necessary]

(3) *Buy American - Free Trade Agreements - Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate III.* If Alternate III to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American - Free Trade Agreements - Israeli Trade Act”:

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(4) *Trade Agreements Certificate.* (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-5, Trade Agreements, is included in this solicitation.)

(i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(5)(ii) of this provision, is a U.S.-made or designated country end product,

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as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Trade Agreements".

(ii) The offeror shall list as other end products those end products that are not U.S.-made or designated country end products.

Other End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(iii) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25. For line items covered by the WTO GPA, the Government will evaluate offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American statute. The Government will consider for award only offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products unless the Contracting Officer determines that there are no offers for such products or that the offers for such products are insufficient to fulfill the requirements of the solicitation.

(h) Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters (Executive Order 12689). (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;
- (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, violating Federal criminal tax laws, or receiving stolen property;
- (3)  Are,  are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses enumerated in paragraph (h)(2) of this clause; and
- (4)  Have,  have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been notified of any delinquent Federal taxes in an amount that exceeds the threshold at 9.104-5(a)(2) for which the liability remains unsatisfied.

(i) Taxes are considered delinquent if both of the following criteria apply:

(A) The tax liability is finally determined. The liability is finally determined if it has been assessed. A liability is not finally determined if there is a pending administrative or judicial challenge. In the case of a judicial challenge to the liability, the liability is not finally determined until all judicial appeal rights have been exhausted.

(B) The taxpayer is delinquent in making payment. A taxpayer is delinquent if the taxpayer has failed to pay the tax liability when full payment was due and required. A taxpayer is not delinquent in cases where enforced collection action is precluded.

(ii) Examples. (A) The taxpayer has received a statutory notice of deficiency, under I.R.C. § 6212, which entitles the taxpayer to seek Tax Court review of a proposed tax deficiency. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek Tax Court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

(B) The IRS has filed a notice of Federal tax lien with respect to an assessed tax liability, and the taxpayer has been issued a notice under I.R.C. § 6320 entitling the taxpayer to request a hearing with the IRS Office of Appeals contesting the lien filing, and to further appeal to the Tax Court if the IRS determines to sustain the lien filing. In the course of the hearing, the taxpayer is entitled to contest the underlying tax liability because the taxpayer has had no prior opportunity to contest the liability. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek tax court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

(C) The taxpayer has entered into an installment agreement pursuant to I.R.C. § 6159. The taxpayer is making timely payments and is in full compliance with the agreement terms. The taxpayer is not delinquent because the taxpayer is not currently required to make full payment.

(D) The taxpayer has filed for bankruptcy protection. The taxpayer is not delinquent because enforced collection action is stayed under 11 U.S.C. 362 (the Bankruptcy Code).

(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.

Line Item No	Country 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.

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(k) *Certificates regarding exemptions from the application of the Service Contract Labor Standards. (Certification by the offeror as to its compliance with respect to the contract also constitutes its certification as to compliance by its subcontractor if it subcontracts out the exempt services.) [The contracting officer is to check a box to indicate if paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) applies.]*

- (1)  Maintenance, calibration, or repair of certain equipment as described in FAR 22.1003-4(c)(1). The offeror  does  does not certify that -
- (i) The items of equipment to be serviced under this contract are used regularly for other than Governmental purposes and are sold or traded by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) in substantial quantities to the general public in the course of normal business operations;
- (ii) The services will be furnished at prices which are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4(c)(2)(ii)) for the maintenance, calibration, or repair of such equipment; and
- (iii) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract will be the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing the same equipment of commercial customers.
- (2)  Certain services as described in FAR 22.1003-4(d)(1). The offeror  does  does not certify that -
- (i) The services under the contract are offered and sold regularly to non-Governmental customers, and are provided by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) to the general public in substantial quantities in the course of normal business operations;
- (ii) The contract services will be furnished at prices that are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4(d)(2)(iii));
- (iii) Each service employee who will perform the services under the contract will spend only a small portion of his or her time (a monthly average of less than 20 percent of the available hours on an annualized basis, or less than 20 percent of available hours during the contract period if the contract period is less than a month) servicing the Government contract; and
- (iv) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract is the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing commercial customers.
- (3) If paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause applies -
- (i) If the offeror does not certify to the conditions in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) and the Contracting Officer did not attach a Service Contract Labor Standards wage determination to the solicitation, the offeror shall notify the Contracting Officer as soon as possible; and
- (ii) The Contracting Officer may not make an award to the offeror if the offeror fails to execute the certification in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause or to contact the Contracting Officer as required in paragraph (k)(3)(i) of this clause.
- (l) 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 SAM to be eligible for award.)

(1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (l)(3) through (l)(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 United States 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: \_ .

(m) Restricted business operations in Sudan. By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror does not conduct any restricted business operations in Sudan.

(n) Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations. (1) Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with either an inverted domestic corporation, or a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation, unless the exception at 9.108-2(b) applies or the requirement is waived in accordance with the procedures at 9.108-4.

(2) Representation. The Offeror represents that -

(i) It  is,  is not an inverted domestic corporation; and

(ii) It  is,  is not a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation.

(o) Prohibition on contracting with entities engaging in certain activities or transactions relating to Iran. (1) The offeror shall email questions concerning sensitive technology to the Department of State at CISADA106@state.gov.

(2) Representation and certifications. Unless a waiver is granted or an exception applies as provided in paragraph (o)(3) of this provision, by submission of its offer, the offeror -

(i) Represents, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror does not export any sensitive technology to the government of Iran or any entities or individuals owned or controlled by, or acting on behalf or at the direction of, the government of Iran;

(ii) Certifies that the offeror, or any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not engage in any activities for which sanctions may be imposed under section 5 of the Iran Sanctions Act; and

(iii) Certifies that the offeror, and any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not knowingly engage in any transaction that exceeds the threshold at FAR 25.703-2(a)(2) with Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps or any of its officials, agents, or affiliates, the property and interests in property of which are blocked pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) (see OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List at <https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List/Pages/default.aspx>).

(3) The representation and certification requirements of paragraph (o)(2) of this provision do not apply if -

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- (i) This solicitation includes a trade agreements certification (e.g., 52.212-3(g) or a comparable agency provision); and
- (ii) The offeror has certified that all the offered products to be supplied are designated country end products.
- (p) Ownership or Control of Offeror. (Applies in all solicitations when there is a requirement to be registered in SAM or a requirement to have a unique entity identifier in the solicitation).
- (1) The Offeror represents that it  has or  does not have an immediate owner. If the Offeror has more than one immediate owner (such as a joint venture), then the Offeror shall respond to paragraph (2) and if applicable, paragraph (3) of this provision for each participant in the joint venture.
- (2) If the Offeror indicates "has" in paragraph (p)(1) of this provision, enter the following information:  
Immediate owner CAGE code:  
Immediate owner legal name:  
(Do not use a "doing business as" name)  
Is the immediate owner owned or controlled by another entity: . Yes or . No.
- (3) If the Offeror indicates "yes" in paragraph (p)(2) of this provision, indicating that the immediate owner is owned or controlled by another entity, then enter the following information:  
Highest-level owner CAGE code:  
Highest-level owner legal name:  
(Do not use a "doing business as" name)
- (q) Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law. (1) As required by sections 744 and 745 of Division E of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235), and similar provisions, if contained in subsequent appropriations acts, The Government will not enter into a contract with any corporation that -
- (i) Has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, where the awarding agency is aware of the unpaid tax liability, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government; or
- (ii) Was convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months, where the awarding agency is aware of the conviction, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that this action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.
- (2) The Offeror represents that -
- (i) It is , is not  a corporation that has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability; and
- (ii) It is  is not  a corporation that was convicted of a felony criminal violation under a Federal law within the preceding 24 months.
- (r) Predecessor of Offeror. (Applies in all solicitations that include the provision at 52.204-16, Commercial and Government Entity Code Reporting.)
- (1) The Offeror represents that it  is or  is not a successor to a predecessor that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years.
- (2) If the Offeror has indicated "is" in paragraph (r)(1) of this provision, enter the following information for all predecessors that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years (if more than one predecessor, list in reverse chronological order):  
Predecessor CAGE code: (or mark "Unknown").  
Predecessor legal name:  
(Do not use a "doing business as" name).
- (s) [Reserved]
- (t) Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Goals. Applies in all solicitations that require offerors to register in SAM (12.301(d)(1)).
- (1) This representation shall be completed if the Offeror received \$7.5 million or more in contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year. The representation is optional if the Offeror received less than \$7.5 million in Federal contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year.
- (2) Representation. [Offeror to check applicable block(s) in paragraph (t)(2)(i) and (ii)]. (i) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner) . does, . does not publicly disclose greenhouse gas emissions, i.e., makes available on a publicly accessible Web site the results of a greenhouse gas inventory, performed in accordance with an accounting standard with publicly available and consistently applied criteria, such as the Greenhouse Gas Protocol Corporate Standard.
- (ii) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner) . does, . does not publicly disclose a quantitative greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal, i.e., make available on a publicly accessible Web site a target to reduce absolute emissions or emissions intensity by a specific quantity or percentage.
- (iii) A publicly accessible Web site includes the Offeror's own Web site or a recognized, third-party greenhouse gas emissions reporting program.
- (3) If the Offeror checked "does" in paragraphs (t)(2)(i) or (t)(2)(ii) of this provision, respectively, the Offeror shall provide the publicly accessible Web site(s) where greenhouse gas emissions and/or reduction goals are reported.
- (u)(1) In accordance with 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), Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with an entity that requires employees or subcontractors of such entity seeking to report waste, fraud, or abuse to sign internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting such waste, fraud, or abuse to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.
- (2) The prohibition in paragraph (u)(1) of this provision does not contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement), Form 4414 (Sensitive Compartmented Information Nondisclosure Agreement), or any other form issued by a Federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.
- (3) *Representation.* By submission of its offer, the Offeror represents that it will not require its employees or subcontractors to sign or comply with internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting waste, fraud, or abuse related to the performance of a Government contract to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information (e.g., agency Office of the Inspector General).
- (v) *Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services - Representation.* Section 889(a)(1)(A) and section 889 (a)(1)(B) of Public Law 115-232.
- (1) The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".
- (2) The Offeror represents that -
- (i) It  does, . does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument.
- (ii) After conducting a reasonable inquiry for purposes of this representation, that it  does,  does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.
- (End of provision)

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*Alternate I.* As prescribed in 12.301(b)(2), add the following paragraph (c)(11) to the basic provision:

(11) (Complete if the offeror has represented itself as disadvantaged in paragraph (c)(4) of this provision.)

- Black American.
- Hispanic American.
- Native American (American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians).
- Asian-Pacific American (persons with origins from Burma, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore, Brunei, Japan, China, Taiwan, Laos, Cambodia (Kampuchea), Vietnam, Korea, The Philippines, Republic of Palau, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Samoa, Macao, Hong Kong, Fiji, Tonga, Kiribati, Tuvalu, or Nauru).
- Subcontinent Asian (Asian-Indian) American (persons with origins from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Bhutan, the Maldives Islands, or Nepal).
- Individual/concern, other than one of the preceding.

**PROVISIONS ADDED TO PART 12 BY ADDENDUM**

**52.203-18 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES THAT REQUIRE CERTAIN INTERNAL CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS OR STATEMENTS-REPRESENTATION (JAN 2017) FAR**

**252.203-7005 REPRESENTATION RELATING TO COMPENSATION OF FORMER DOD OFFICIALS (SEP 2022) DFARS**

**252.204-7008 COMPLIANCE WITH SAFEGUARDING COVERED DEFENSE INFORMATION CONTROLS (OCT 2016) DFARS**

**52.207-4 ECONOMIC PURCHASE QUANTITY--SUPPLIES (AUG 1987) FAR**

As prescribed in 7.203 , insert the following provision:

(a) Offerors are invited to state an opinion on whether the quantity(ies) of supplies on which bids, proposals or quotes are requested in this solicitation is (are) economically advantageous to the Government.

(b) Each offeror who believes that acquisitions in different quantities would be more advantageous is invited to recommend an economic purchase quantity. If different quantities are recommended, a total and a unit price must be quoted for applicable items. An economic purchase quantity is that quantity at which a significant price break occurs. If there are significant price breaks at different quantity points, this information is desired as well.

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ITEM	QUANTITY	PRICE QUOTATION	TOTAL

(c) The information requested in this provision is being solicited to avoid acquisitions in disadvantageous quantities and to assist the Government in developing a data base for future acquisitions of these items. However, the Government reserves the right to amend or cancel the solicitation and resolicit with respect to any individual item in the event quotations received and the Government's requirements indicate that different quantities should be acquired.

(End of provision)

**252.219-7000 ADVANCING SMALL BUSINESS GROWTH (DEC 2022) FAR**

**252.225-7000 BUY AMERICAN STATUTE - BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM CERTIFICATE (NOV 2014) DFARS**

(a) *Definitions.* "Commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item," "component," "domestic end product," "foreign end product," "qualifying country," "qualifying country end product," and "United States," as used in this provision, have the meanings given in the Buy American and Balance of Payments Program --Basic clause of this solicitation.

(b) *Evaluation.* The Government --

- (1) Will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of Part 225 of the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; and
- (2) Will evaluate offers of qualifying country end products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American statute or the Balance of Payments Program.

(c) *Certifications and identification of country of origin.*

(1) For all line items subject to the Buy American and Balance of Payments Program --Basic clause of this solicitation, the offeror certifies that --

- (i) Each end product, except those listed in paragraphs (c)(2) or (3) of this provision, is a domestic end product; and
- (ii) For end products other than COTS items, components of unknown origin are considered to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States or a qualifying country.

(2) The offeror certifies that the following end products are qualifying country end products:

<u>Line Item Number</u>	<u>Country of Origin</u>
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(3) The following end products are other foreign end products, including end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, i.e., an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (ii) of the

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definition of "domestic end product":

<u>Line Item Number</u>	<u>Country of Origin (If known)</u>
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(End of provision)

**252.225-7000 BUY AMERICAN STATUTE---BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROGRAM CERTIFICATE)---ALTERNATE I (NOV 2014) DFARS**

*Alternate I.* As prescribed in [225.1101](#) (1) and (1)(ii), use the following provision, which adds "South Caucasus/Central and South Asian (SC/CASA) state" and "South Caucasus/Central and South Asian (SC/CASA) state end product" in paragraph (a), and replaces "qualifying country end products" in paragraphs (b)(2) and (c)(2) with "qualifying country end products or SC/CASA state end products":

(a) *Definitions.* "Commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item," "component," "domestic end product," "foreign end product," "qualifying country," "qualifying country end product," "South Caucasus/Central and South Asian (SC/CASA) state," "South Caucasus/Central and South Asian (SC/CASA) state end product," and "United States," as used in this provision, have the meanings given in the Buy American and Balance of Payments Program --Alternate I clause of this solicitation.

(b) *Evaluation.* The Government --

- (1) Will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of part 225 of the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; and
- (2) Will evaluate offers of qualifying country end products or SC/CASA state end products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American statute or the Balance of Payments Program.

(c) *Certifications and identification of country of origin.*

- (1) For all line items subject to the Buy American and Balance of Payments Program --Alternate I clause of this solicitation, the offeror certifies that --
  - (i) Each end product, except those listed in paragraphs (c)(2) or (3) of this provision, is a domestic end product; and
  - (ii) For end products other than COTS items, components of unknown origin are considered to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States or a qualifying country.
- (2) The offeror certifies that the following end products are qualifying country end products or SC/CASA state end products:

<u>Line Item Number</u>	<u>Country of Origin</u>
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- (3) The following end products are other foreign end products, including end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, i.e., an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (ii) of the definition of "domestic end product":

<u>Line Item Number</u>	<u>Country of Origin (If known)</u>
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(End of provision)

**252.225-7055 REPRESENTATION REGARDING BUSINESS OPERATIONS WITH THE MADURO REGIME (MAY 2022) DFARS****252.225-7057 PREAWARD DISCLOSURE OF EMPLOYMENT OF INDIVIDUALS WHO WORK IN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (AUG 2022) DFARS****252.225-7059 PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN PROCUREMENTS FROM THE XINJIANG UYGHUR AUTONOMOUS REGION -- CERTIFICATION (DEC 2022) DFARS**

As prescribed in [225.7022-5\(a\)](#), use the following provision:

(a) *Definitions.* "Forced labor", "Person", and "XUAR", as used in this provision, have the meaning given in the [252.225-7060](#), Prohibition on Certain Procurements from the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, clause of this solicitation.

(b) *Prohibition.* DoD may not knowingly procure any products mined, produced, or manufactured wholly or in part by forced labor from XUAR or from an entity that has used labor from within or transferred from XUAR as part of any forced labor programs, as specified in paragraph (b) of the [252.225-7060](#), Prohibition on Certain Procurements from the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, clause of this solicitation.

(c) *Certification.*

(1) The Offeror does [ [ZF\\_225\\_7059\\_01](#) ] does not [ [ZF\\_225\\_7059\\_02](#) ] certify that the Offeror has made a good faith effort to determine that forced labor from XUAR was not or will not be used in the performance of a contract resulting from this solicitation.

(2) Offerors who do not certify having made a good faith effort will not be eligible for award.

(End of provision)

**L06 AGENCY PROTESTS (DEC 2016)****5452.233-9001 DISPUTES - AGREEMENT TO USE ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (JUN 2020) DLAD**

(a) The parties agree to negotiate with each other to try to resolve any disputes that may arise. If unassisted negotiations are unsuccessful, the parties will use alternative dispute resolution (ADR) techniques to try to resolve the dispute. Litigation will only be considered as a last resort when ADR is unsuccessful or has been documented by the party rejecting ADR to be inappropriate for resolving the dispute.

(b) Before either party determines ADR inappropriate, that party must discuss the use of ADR with the other party. The documentation rejecting ADR must be signed by an official authorized to bind the Contractor (see Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clause [52.233-1](#)), or, for the Agency, by the Contracting Officer, and approved at a level above the Contracting Officer after consultation with the ADR Specialist and with legal. Contractor personnel are also encouraged to include the ADR Specialist in their discussions with the Contracting Officer before

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determining ADR to be inappropriate.

(c) The offeror should check here to opt out of this clause:

Alternate wording may be negotiated with the contracting officer.

**52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998) FAR**

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):

**FAR:** <https://www.acquisition.gov/?q=browsefar>

**DFARS:** <https://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/dars/dfarspgi/current/index.html>

**DLAD:** <http://www.dla.mil/HQ/Acquisition/Offers/DLAD.aspx>

(End of provision)

**252.204-7016 COVERED DEFENSE TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES---REPRESENTATION (DEC 2019) DFARS**

As prescribed in [204.2105](#) (a), use the following provision:

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision, “covered defense telecommunications equipment or services” has the meaning provided in the clause 252.204-7018, Prohibition on the Acquisition of Covered Defense Telecommunications Equipment or Services.

(b) *Procedures.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for “covered defense telecommunications equipment or services”.

(c) *Representation.* The Offeror represents that it  does,  does not provide covered defense telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument.

(End of provision)

**252.239-7098 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING TO MAINTAIN OR ESTABLISH A COMPUTER NETWORK UNLESS SUCH NETWORK IS DESIGNED TO BLOCK ACCESS TO CERTAIN WEBSITES---REPRESENTATION (DEVIATION 2021-O0003) (APR 2021)**

(a) In accordance with section 8116 of Division C of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Pub. L. 116-260), or any other Act that extends to fiscal year 2021 funds the same prohibitions, none of the funds appropriated (or otherwise made available) by this or any other Act for DoD may be used to enter into a contract to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network is designed to block access to pornography websites. This prohibition does not limit the use of funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities, or for any activity necessary for the national defense, including intelligence activities.

(b) *Representation.* By submission of its offer, the Offeror represents that it is not providing as part of its offer a proposal to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network is designed to block access to pornography websites.

(End of provision)

**52.204-24 REPRESENTATION REGARDING CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SERVICES OR EQUIPMENT (NOV 2021) FAR**

As prescribed in [4.2105](#)(a), insert the following provision:

The Offeror shall not complete the representation at paragraph (d)(1) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it “does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument” in paragraph (c)(1) in the provision at 52.204-26, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services --Representation, or in paragraph (v)(2)(i) of the provision at 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Products and Commercial Services. The Offeror shall not complete the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it “does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services” in paragraph (c)(2) of the provision at 52.204-26, or in paragraph (v)(2)(ii) of the provision at 52.212-3.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision-

*Backhaul, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, interconnection arrangements, reasonable inquiry, roaming, and substantial or essential component* have the meanings provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

(b) *Prohibition.* (1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to --

(i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract or extending or renewing a contract with an entity that uses any equipment,

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system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to --

(i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or

(ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

(c) *Procedures.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for “covered telecommunications equipment or services.”

(d) *Representations.* The Offeror represents that --

(1) It [ ] will, [ ] will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(1) of this section if the Offeror responds “will” in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; and

(2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry, for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that --

It [ ] does, [ ] does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(2) of this section if the Offeror responds “does” in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

(e) *Disclosures.* (1) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded “will” in the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

(i) For covered equipment --

(A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or a distributor, if known);

(B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and

(C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.

(ii) For covered services --

(A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or

(B) If not associated with maintenance, the Product Service Code (PSC) of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.

(2) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded “does” in the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:

(i) For covered equipment --

(A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known);

(B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and

(C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

(ii) For covered services --

(A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or

(B) If not associated with maintenance, the PSC of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

(End of provision)

**52.204-26 COVERED TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES---REPRESENTATION (OCT 2020) FAR**

As prescribed in 4.2105(c), insert the following provision:

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision, “covered telecommunications equipment or services” has the meaning provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

(b) *Procedures.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for “covered telecommunications equipment or services”.

(c) *Representation.* The Offeror represents that it [ ] does, [ ] does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument.

(2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry for purposes of this representation, the offeror represents that it [ ] does, [ ] does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(End of provision)