

## **JUSTIFICATION FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION**

**Energy Security Analysis, Inc.**

**SP0600-09-M-5134**

### **1. Introduction:**

The Defense Energy Support Center (DESC), a component of Defense Logistics Agency, is the contracting activity. The action being approved is the purchase, on an other than full and open competition basis, of a 2009 subscription to Energy Security Analysis, Inc. (ESAI) for DESC.

### **2. Description of Agency's Need (10 U.S.C. 2304(f)(3)(A)):**

DESC requires a 2009 subscription to ESAI. The estimated dollar value is \$5,000.

### **3. Authority for other than Full and Open Competition (10 U.S.C. 2304 (F)(3)(B)):**

The statutory authority permitting other than full and open competition is 10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(1), as implemented by FAR 6.302-1, "Only one responsible source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements." ESAI is a recognized authority on petroleum, natural gas, and electricity markets. ESAI publications lead the world energy market because ESAI has a comprehensive database, highly respected senior analysis, and most advanced analysts' techniques. In addition, ESAI is capable of providing accurate forecasts ranging from two weeks to twenty years for supply, demand, inventories, and technology developments in energy markets. A 2009 subscription to ESAI, will assist DESC to keep updated on present and future global, national, and regional energy market changes.

### **4. Price/Cost Considerations (10 U.S.C. 2304 (f)(3)(C)):**

The contracting officer anticipates that the price will be fair and reasonable pursuant to FAR 15.404-1 (b)(2)(ii) comparison with previously propose prices and previous government contract prices for the same or similar products. The 2009 ESAI subscription price is \$5000 which is same as last year.

### **5. Market Research/Efforts to Obtain Competition (10 U.S.C. 2304 (f)(3)(D)&(E)):**

ESAI is the only source available to meet DESC's needs at this time. DESC will continue to monitor the industry to see if other publications are able to provide the required information and analysis in the future. No other sources have expressed an interested in the requirement.

### **6. Actions Being Taken to Overcome Barriers to Competition (10 U.S.C. 2304 (f)(3)(F)):**

Due to the nature of the subject requirement, no action needs to be taken at this time. As new publications emerge, DESC will continue to monitor the market for other potential sources.

I hereby certify that the information contained in this justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

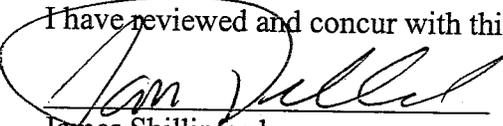
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CHRISTINE A. HOPPER

Contracting Officer

Date: 4-26-09

I have reviewed and concur with this Justification.



James Shilliaford

Acting Chief

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Date: 4/28/09

I hereby certify that the data which forms the basis for this justification is accurate and complete, and that the purchase request covers only the minimum requirements to satisfy the needs of the Government.

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Chief-Market Research

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Date: 4/22/09