

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT		1. CONTRACT ID CODE	PAGE 1 OF 5
2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. 000002	3. EFFECTIVE DATE 08/06/2008	4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO.	5. PROJECT NO.
6. ISSUED BY BBG/IBB OFFICE OF CONTRACTS Switzer Bldg - Room 2512A 330 "C" Street SW Washington, DC 20237 Attn: Rachel E. Johnson Phone: (202) 205-0388		CODE M/CON	7. ADMINISTERED BY (If other than Item 6) CODE
8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (NO., street, city, county, State, and ZIP Code)		X	9a. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. BBGCON36086754
			9b. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 7/11/2008
			10a. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ ORDER NO.
			10b. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)
11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS			
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers <input type="checkbox"/> is extended, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not extended</p> <p>Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning <u>1</u> copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.</p>			
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)			
13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.			
A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) . THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.			
B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).			
C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:			
D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority) AUTHORITY CITED IN BLOCK 14 OF THIS MODIFICATION			
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> The above-cited Solicitation is hereby amended to incorporate questions with answers. The cut-off date for submission of questions has passed. The proposal due date remains 2:00 pm local time, Tuesday, August 12, 2008. All other terms and conditions of the subject Solicitation remain unchanged. 			
Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force.			
E. IMPORTANT: Contractor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.			
15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER Rachel E. Johnson	
15B. NAME OF CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR BY _____ (Signature of person authorized to sign)	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY <i>Rachel E. Johnson</i> (Signature of Contracting Officer)	16C. DATE SIGNED 8/6/08

Offeror Question No. 1: The RFP states that the Contractor will maintain government furnished equipment and properties "AS-IS", and ensure a good use. Could we have the description of the GFE and properties at each of Morocco FM broadcast and transmission stations? This will allow the contractor to evaluate the extend of work and the required technical support and logistic human resources. Any information on the technical characteristics of each broadcast and FM station.

IBB Answer No. 1:

Typical Equipment List

(Manufactures, models, power levels, power input, configurations and options may vary.)

- Transmitter: Harris 1kw Quest or Platinum Z2-Z5
- RO Satellite Dish: Prodelin, 1.8 m; Ku Band
- Satellite Receiver: Scientific Atlanta, Model D9223
- Audio & Stereo Processing: Orban 8218 stereo encoder
- Tower: Rohn 25G110D70; 21 m
- Antenna: Shively Labs, 6812B-4 or 6832-4
- Monitoring: Burk ARC16

Equipment has been professionally installed, well maintained and has typically be in service for less than 5 years.

Offeror Question No. 2: Will the contractor provide monitoring, maintenance and measurement tools for each stations, or all system is already in place, and the contractor responsibility is to provide expertise for maintenance and monitoring.

In other words is the contractor required to provide additional hardware and software for station maintenance and monitoring, or the government provided equipment and logistics are enough for the purpose of this RFP.

IBB Answer No. 2:

The government will not provide maintenance and measurement tools (meaning hand tools) for any station. Stations are in place and fully functional, contractor will have the responsibility for maintenance and monitoring. The contractor will not be required to provide additional software or hardware. The system, as installed, has been standardized, where practical, across the network. In the event updates are required, to software or equipment, it will be GFE.

Offeror Question No. 3: The fuel and all utilities bills will be on the pass through or reimbursed? As for the physical Security, frequency licenses, logistic consumables would?

IBB Answer No. 3:

See item 11 of the Statement of Work; Utilities, leases, licensing fees and other recurring costs should be estimated on an annual basis and included in each invoice as a monthly service fee. Physical security of the sites is a part of the contract and the contractor's responsibility and is not considered a recurring cost as utilities etcetera.

Offeror Question No. 4: The RFP indicates that the contractor will take the take responsibilities of the stations "as is." Would like a clear determination on what is expected to be the contractor provided hardware and software within this contract.

IBB Answer No. 4:

The contractor is not expected to provide additional hardware (small screws, bolts, fastener and similar items excepted) and software. The sites are fully functional and well maintained.

Offeror Question No. 5: We understand the contractor offer/pricing for this RFP will cover the contractor personals (technical, support, logistics) for the preventive and corrective maintenance, monitoring, reporting and any administrative duties for the entire facilities of radio SAWA in Morocco. The tasks include the following equipment: Broadcasting, electrical, HVAC, electrical security, site security, plumbing, environment maintenance, spare parts. The necessary consumables, logistics (customs,...) parts and tools necessary for the above services will be reimbursed by the government. Please advise if our understanding is correct.

IBB Answer No. 5:

The Government will reimburse the contractor for customs fees as ordered/directed by the Contracting Officer or his designated official. The Government will reimburse the contractor for spare parts ordered/directed by the Contracting Officer or his designated official. It is expected that the contractor will possess the necessary tools for the operation and maintenance of the FM system, therefore the Government will not reimburse for these items with the exception of highly specialized and unique tools specifically related to the installed equipment, which will be GFE.

Offeror Question No. 6: Contractor will have responsibility to provide warehousing, shelving, transport to and from warehouse for electronic spare parts staging?

IBB Answer No. 6:

The contractor shall provide at its own expense: warehousing, shelving, transport to/from the warehouse for electronic spare parts and supplies.

Offeror Question No. 7: Will a Foreign Service Officer still be assigned at the Site?

IBB Answer No. 7:

A Foreign Service Officer will have responsibility for all sites and will make periodic visits and inspections; the Foreign Service Officer may or may not live in the country of operation but will be located in the geographic area, such as a nearby country.

Offeror Question No. 8: Did the contract include the operation of the Transmitters, audio delivery and switching; operation of the Satellite link and Timeplex multiplex equipment currently used? Do you provide Ad-Hoc programming to anyone in Morocco using the older, smaller receive only dish?

IBB Answer No. 8:

The audio delivery to the sites is via a receive only satellite, direct. The receivers are agile but generally they are set to a service and remain on that channel. The contractor will not be involved with switching or Timeplex multiplex equipment. This contract does not involve any Ad-Hoc programming to anyone in Morocco, it is strictly for the FM transmitter sites.

Offeror Question No. 9: Do spares presently exist for the satellite equipment and tubes for the transmitters. Are the new transmitter SSPA or traveling wave tube (TWT)?

IBB Answer No. 9:

Spares do not exist for the satellite equipment; LNBS are frequently available locally. The transmitter does not use tubes; it is solid state. See **IBB Answer No. 1.**

Offeror Question No. 10: Does the contract include property accountability? Removal of HAZMAT, oil, batteries, are there any agreements in place for the disposal of these items? Is the RFP include any road maintenance?

IBB Answer No. 10:

The contractor is responsible for all GFE and an annual inventory, see 4.12 of the Statement of Work. There is no HAZMAT, oil, and batteries at the FM sites. There is no road maintenance required.

Offeror Question No. 11: When was the last time the towers and buildings were painted? Are they in good conditions?

IBB Answer No. 11:

The BBG owned buildings are covered with 26 gauge-galvanized steel and baked on enamel finish and never require painting. The sites located in leased space do not require contractor painting. Towers are painted at installation and are typically less than 5 years old. General condition of all sites is excellent or better.

Offeror Question No. 12: What is the total acreage of grass cutting responsibility?

IBB Answer No. 12:

The contractor is not responsible for any grass cutting.

Offeror Question No. 13: How old are the air conditioning systems?

IBB Answer No. 13:

The air conditioning systems are typically locally procured split units and locally serviceable, age is 4 years or less.

Offeror Question No. 14: Are vehicles provided as GFE? Grass cutting equipment? Can the Government provide a list of provided equipment?

IBB Answer No. 14:

There are no GFE vehicles provided. There is no requirement for Grass cutting equipment, see **IBB Answer No. 12.** The GFE is as installed plus specialized test equipment and in sufficient quantity for FM maintenance.

Offeror Question No. 15: Who owns the property where the FM transmitters are located. What is the response time required for repair of the FM stations; and, what level and detail is the current sparing? Are spares on hand and provided?

IBB Answer No. 15:

All BBG FM sites, except Rabat, are located on property owned by local nationals with a landlord/tenant relationship. This is broadcasting, the response time is paramount; see 4.1 of the Statement of Work for a maximum acceptable response time. Transmitter board level spares exist, in Morocco; other equipment is unspared.

Offeror Question No. 16: Are there currently any upgrades or modifications or additions to the station being planned or being worked on that would affect manning and or requirements after contract award.

IBB Answer No. 16:

Any upgrades and modifications will be task orders and will not affect manning requirements after the contract award.

Offeror Question No. 17: Are there any licensing issues, which may have to be dealt with in the contract effort

IBB Answer No. 17:

There are annual license renewals in most countries, usually routine issues.

Offeror Question No. 18: Who is the incumbent contractor for this project?

IBB Answer No. 18:

The Government's requirement is fully explained in the RFP.

Offeror Question No. 19: Can potential offerors visit sites to evaluate mandatory needs such as security and other technical capabilities, gear that needs to be evaluated?

IBB Answer No. 19:

Potential contractors may visit the sites, at their expense, with ample advance notice.

Offeror Question No. 20: We request an extension to allow us to analyze your answers to our questions.

IBB Answer No. 20:

The proposal due date remains 2:00 pm local time, Tuesday, August 12, 2008.