REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Title: Joint Enterprise Defense Infrastructure (JEDI) Terrestrial Dark Fiber
RFI Issue Date: 18 Jun 2019
RFI Control Number: IE-RFI – JEDI FIBER

Defense Information Technology Contracting Organization, Scott Air Force Base is seeking information from industry to assist with the development and planning of a potential new requirement.

THIS IS A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) NOTICE ONLY. THIS IS NOT A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP). NO SOLICITATION IS AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME.

I. Purpose

This publication is a Request for Information (RFI) from the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) regarding leased dark fiber services in the Continental United States (CONUS).

The purpose of this RFI is to conduct market research. Information obtained through this RFI will be used to determine appropriate strategies to meet the Agency’s requirements. The Government requests that prospective Contractors complete and return a Capabilities Statement as described below to determine current ability to meet the objectives and requirements herein.

This RFI is being issued solely for information and planning purposes and does not constitute a RFP or a commitment for an RFP in the future. This RFI does not commit the Government to contract for any supply or service. Responders are advised that the United States Government will not pay for any information or administrative cost incurred in response to this announcement.

II. Background.

The Government desires to assess the capability of Contractors to provide innovative, cost-effective solutions to meet these requirements in the future.

III. Required Capabilities.

The purpose of this Request for Information (RFI) is to gather information regarding providing a leased dark fiber network between the locations listed below:
IV. Requested Information.

DISA is seeking Government and industry information on fulfilling this requirement. Interested parties are requested to submit the following information:

1. Organization and the point of contact, title, phone, and email.

2. Description of organization’s business, including business size, Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code and the PRIMARY North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code that your organization utilizes (if applicable).

3. Pricing information for a 10-year period.

4. Innovative solutions for addressing requirements.

5. Brief capabilities statement package (no more than five pages) demonstrating ability to perform the required capabilities.

RESPONSE GUIDELINES:

Interested parties are requested to respond to this RFI with a white paper. Submissions cannot exceed 20 pages, single spaced, 12-point type with at least one-inch margins on 8
Companies who wish to respond to this RFI should send responses via email no later than 2:00 PM Central Standard Time on 18 July 2019 to katie.s.day.civ@mail.mil and kari.l.kinzel.civ@mail.mil. The subject line on the email shall read: “RESPONSE: IE-RFI – JEDI FIBER”

Proprietary information and trade secrets, if any, must be clearly marked on all materials. All information received that is marked Proprietary will be handled accordingly. Please be advised that all submissions become Government property and will not be returned. All government and contractor personal reviewing RFI responses will have signed non-disclosure agreements and understand their responsibility for proper use and protection from unauthorized disclosure of proprietary information as described 41 USC 423. The Government shall not be held liable for any damages incurred if proprietary information is not properly identified.

QUESTIONS:

All questions, comments, and concerns must be submitted to Katie Day and Kari Kinzel at katie.s.day.civ@mail.mil and kari.l.kinzel.civ@mail.mil no later than 11 July 2019 by 10:00AM Central Standard Time. Oral communications are not permissible. Answers to questions will be posted to FedBizOpps. The Government will not reimburse companies for any costs associated with the submissions of their responses. All questions, comments, and concerns should identify the paragraph and subparagraph in question. The subject line on email shall read: “QUESTION: IE-RFI – JEDI FIBER”

INDUSTRY DISCUSSIONS:

DISA representatives may choose to meet with potential offerors and hold one-on-one discussions. Such discussions would only be intended to obtain further clarification of potential capability to meet the requirements, including any development and certification risks.

DISCLAIMER:

This RFI is not a RFP and is not to be construed as a commitment by the Government to issue a solicitation or ultimately award a contract. Responses will not be considered as proposals, nor will any award be made as a result of this synopsis.

All information contained in the RFI is preliminary as well as subject to modification and is in no way binding on the Government. FAR clause 52.215-3, “Request for Information
or Solicitation for Planning Purposes,” is incorporated by reference in this RFI. The Government does not plan to pay for information received in response to this RFI. Responders to this invitation are solely responsible for all expenses associated with responding to this RFI. This RFI will be the basis for collecting information on capabilities available. This RFI is issued solely for planning purposes and does not constitute a solicitation. All information received in this RFI that is marked “Proprietary” will be handled accordingly. Responses to this RFI will not be returned nor will receipt be confirmed. In accordance with FAR 15.201(e), responses to this RFI are not offers and cannot be accepted by the Government to form a binding contract.