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LIMITED SOURCES JUSTIFICATION

1. Nature and/or Description of Action

The Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA) Contracting Activity proposes to restrict consideration of scheduled contractors to an item peculiar to one manufacturer (e.g., a particular brand name, product, or a feature of a product peculiar to one manufacturer). DTRA plans to restrict procurement of required Information Technology (IT) software manufactured by Microsoft as an Enterprise License Agreement with "True-Up" Options.

2. Description of the Supplies/Services Required

Microsoft software licenses and maintenance support is required Agency wide (ProDsktp ALNG SA MVL, WinPro ALNG SA MVL Pltfrm, OfficeProPlus ALNG SA MVL Pltfrm, OfficeProPlus ALNG LicSAPk MVL Pltfrm, EntCAL ALNG SA MVL Pltfrm UsrCAL wSrvcs, DsktpOptmztnPkforSA ALNG SubsVL MVL PerDvc forWinSA, AutoRouteEuro Win32 ALNG SA MVL, ExprssnStdioWebPro ALNG SA MVL, PrjctPro ALNG SA MVL w1PrjctSvrCAL, DynCRMCAL ALNG SA MVL UsrCAL, DynCRMExtConn ALNG SA MVL, DynCRMSvr ALNG SA MVL, ExchgSvrEnt ALNG SA MVL, FrFrntTMGEnt ALNG SA MVL 1Proc, LyncSvrEnt ALNG SA MVL, LyncSvrPlusCAL ALNG SA MVL forECAL UsrCAL, PrjctSvr ALNG LicSAPk MVL, SharePointIntrntSitesEnt ALNG SA MVL, SharePointIntrntSitesStd ALNG SA MVL, SharePointSvr ALNG LicSAPk MVL, SharePointSvr ALNG SA MVL, SQLSvrEnt ALNG SA MVL 1Proc, SQLSvrStd ALNG SA MVL, SQLSvrStd ALNG SA MVL 1Proc, SysCtrCnfgMgrSvr ALNG SA MVL, StsandTrips Win32 ALNG SA MVL, SysCtrMgmtSteEnt ALNG SA MVL, SysCtrOpsMgrSvr ALNG SA MVL, SysCtrSrvcMgrSvr ALNG LicSAPk MVL, VisioPro ALNG SA MVL, WinRmtDsktpSrvcsCAL ALNG SA MVL DvcCAL, WinSvrEnt ALNG SA MVL, WinSvrExtConn ALNG SA MVL).

The CIO has approved the use of Microsoft software and maintenance for procurement. This requirement is a follow-on to the Microsoft True Up Contract with ASAP Software Express Inc., Task Order # N00104-02-A-ZE78-8Z10, with a period of performance that will end 30 June 2011.

The period of performance for this contract's base year will start 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 with 2 one year options and True-Ups. The total estimated dollar value for this contract is $4,583,807.85.

3. Statutory Authority

This acquisition is conducted under the authority of Title III of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (41 U.S.C. 251, et seq.) and title 40 U.S.C. 501, Services for Executive Agencies.

4. Justification Rationale

The applicability of authority requires the acquisition be made using limited sources for a brand name commercial item. Microsoft is the Agency standard for UNET, SNET, and TNET desktop computers, notebooks, and servers. Microsoft products are chosen due to the huge market share advantage and their large selection of software tools and emulators. This software must be kept at a high operational level and also kept current to maintain maximum performance and support. The Agency has an extensive amount of in-house expertise with the products.

Alternative products will not be considered due to the large investment in Microsoft software. Alternative products would incur additional costs due to complexity, learning curves, availability of tools, limitations, initial costs, and in-house expertise. One of the many benefits of the Enterprise Agreement (EA) is the right to install covered products and "True-up" or pay for them at any time during the contract year. This "True-up" feature provides a fixed pro-rated price that synchronizes the new licenses with the remaining term of the EA while allowing tracking on the Microsoft Volume License Services (MVLS) website. The main benefits of using the True-Up process vs. buying software on GSA schedule are price, ability to synchronize software assurance (SA) coverage on new licenses with the remaining term of N00104-02-A-ZE78-8Z10 and the ability to track all licenses on the Microsoft Volume License Services (MVLS) website. Microsoft software products with maintenance and True-Up Options will meet DTRA standards and are approved by the CIO.

5. Market Research

Market research was conducted to find acceptable resellers with approved ESI BPA's. CDW-G, Dell Marketing, Gov Connection, Hewlett Packard, Insight, GTSI and SoftChoice are all large companies which could meet requirements. Softmart is a small company which could also meet DTRA requirements.

Softmart was identified at www.gsaadvantage.gov as a small business company with a GSA schedule. The IGCE shows pricing via GSA to be higher.

In accordance with DFARS 208.7402 Departments and agencies shall fulfill requirements for commercial software and related services, such as software maintenance, in accordance with the DoD Enterprise Software Initiative (ESI) (see website at http://www.esi.mil/). ESI promotes the use of enterprise software agreements (ESAs) with contractors that allow DoD to obtain favorable terms and pricing for commercial software and related services. ESI does not dictate the products or services to be acquired.

The DoD Enterprise Software Initiative is sponsored by the DoD Chief Information Officer (CIO) and established multiple award BPA's against GSA Schedules for Microsoft products. This initiative has pre-negotiated pricing which provides prices not otherwise available to individual Services/Agencies.

6. Other Supporting Facts

The CIO has approved the use of Microsoft software and maintenance for procurement.

7. Subsequent Actions

No further procurement of this type of IT product is anticipated at this time. If additional products of this type are required at a later date, DTRA will accomplish market research to determine the best value and interest for the government.

Contracting Officer Certification

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

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Contracting Officer

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Date