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1. REQUEST NO. AG-87BJ-S-14-0003	2. DATE ISSUED 06/05/2014	3. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQUEST NO. 694387	4. CERT. FOR NAT. DEF. UNDER BDSA REG. 2 AND/OR DMS REG. 1	RATING
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5a. ISSUED BY USDA Forest Service, East Side Acquisition Team		6. DELIVER BY (Date) 06/13/2014		
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5b. FOR INFORMATION CALL (NO COLLECT CALLS)				
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NAME Alisha Knaub		TELEPHONE NUMBER AREA CODE: 406 NUMBER: 495-3860			7. DELIVERY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FOB DESTINATION <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (See Schedule)
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8. TO:		9. DESTINATION		
a. NAME		a. NAME OF CONSIGNEE Helena National Forest		

b. COMPANY		b. STREET ADDRESS 415 South Front Street		
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c. STREET ADDRESS		c. CITY Townsend		
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d. CITY	e. STATE MT	f. ZIP CODE 59644	d. STATE MT	e. ZIP CODE 59644
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10. PLEASE FURNISH QUOTATIONS TO THE ISSUING OFFICE IN BLOCK 5a ON OR BEFORE CLOSE OF BUSINESS (Date) 06/13/2014	IMPORTANT: This is a request for information and quotations furnished are not offers. If you are unable to quote, please so indicate on this form and return it to the address in Block 5a. This request does not commit the Government to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of the submission of this quotation or to contract for supplies or service. Supplies are of domestic origin unless otherwise indicated by quoter. Any representations and/or certifications attached to this Request for Quotation must be completed by the quoter.
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11. SCHEDULE (Include applicable Federal, State and local taxes)

ITEM NO. (a)	SUPPLIES/ SERVICES (b)	QUANTITY (c)	UNIT (d)	UNIT PRICE (e)	AMOUNT (f)
001	Buffalo Gap Campground Booster Pump Dakota Prairie Grasslands, Medora Ranger District See Schedule B for Schedule of Items Please furnish quote by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, June 13th Return quotation to: Alisha Knaub 415 South Front Street Townsend, MT 59644 or aknaub@fs.fed.us				

12. DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT	a. 10 CALENDAR DAYS (%)	b. 20 CALENDAR DAYS (%)	c. 30 CALENDAR DAYS (%)	d. CALENDAR DAYS	
				NUMBER	PERCENTAGE

NOTE: Additional provisions and representations are are not attached.

13. NAME AND ADDRESS OF QUOTER		14. SIGNATURE OF PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN QUOTATION	15. DATE OF QUOTATION
a. NAME OF QUOTER			

b. STREET ADDRESS		16. SIGNER	
c. COUNTY		a. NAME (Type or print)	b. TELEPHONE
			AREA CODE

d. CITY	e. STATE	f. ZIP CODE	c. TITLE (Type or print)	NUMBER
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SECTION B - SUPPLIES OR SERVICES AND PRICES/COSTS SCHEDULE OF ITEMS

BUFFALO GAP CAMPGROUND BOOSTER PUMP PROJECT
 Dakota Prairie Grasslands
 Medora Ranger District
 Golden Valley County, ND

B-1 – Schedule of Items

Pay Item No.	Description	Method of Measure	Pay Unit	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price (\$)	Total (\$)
151	Mobilization	LSQ	Lump Sum	1	\$_____	\$_____
133402	Well Pit & Appurtenances, Furnished & Installed	LSQ	Lump Sum	1	\$_____	\$_____
221122	Furnish & Install Booster Pump & All Appurtenances	LSQ	Lump Sum	1	\$_____	\$_____
Total						\$_____

Designated Method of Measurement:
 LSQ-Lump Sum Quantities

B-2 – Note:
 Bidder must quote on all items. Only quotes to the nearest cent will be accepted.

Offers shall include:

COMPANY NAME: _____

DUNS NUMBER: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

EMAIL: _____

SECTION C - DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/STATEMENT OF WORK

C-1 – Project Description and Location

LOCATION OF PROJECT

This project is located at Buffalo Gap Campground on the Dakota Prairie Grasslands, Medora Ranger District approximately 7 miles west of Medora, North Dakota, via Interstate 94 in Section 9, T140N R103W in Golden Valley County, North Dakota.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

Furnish all labor, materials, equipment, supervision, and transportation necessary to complete the installation of a multi stage, centrifugal pump with a ¾ hp, 230/460 volt, 3 phase tefc electric motor with single pump drive (SPD) controller, 50 amp disconnect with 115 volt pit light and GFI 20 amp plug, 26 gallon pressure tank and valves installed in a concrete containment pit/vault to the existing 3" HDPE water line.

The major items of work include the following:

1. Furnish and install a precast, concrete well pit and appurtenances.
2. Install the centrifugal pump, motor, controller, pressure tank, pipeline appurtenances and disconnect in the new concrete pit in a 6-7 foot deep, 3 inch diameter HDPE water line.

START OF WORK

It is anticipated that work will begin June of 2014.

CONTRACT TIME

Work shall be completed no later than 60 calendar days after effective date of NOTICE TO PROCEED.

NOTIFICATION

Notify Contracting Officer (CO) of intent to begin work at least 2 business days in advance.

USE OF GOVERNMENT FACILITIES

Sanitary Facilities: There is a vault toilet located within the campground.

Electrical Power: Electrical power is available at the site to the extent of existing electrical outlets at the two comfort stations and the campground host site.

Potable Water: Potable water will be available at the site from Memorial Day to Veterans Day.

Camping: The Contractor shall request permission from the Ranger District prior to camping at the campground during contract performance .

Housing: Commerical facilities are available in Medora, ND.

SCHEDULES

Furnish 1 copy each of the following items after award of contract for review and/or approval pursuant to contract provisions:

Proposed progress schedule showing starting and completion dates of various phases of the work.

List of proposed subcontractors and their intended work. Sub-contractors must have the Contracting Officer's written approval prior to work on the project.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Provide suitable signs, barricades, temporary fencing, etc. to provide for public safety and prevent access to the project site.

DISPOSAL SITE

Project waste materials shall be removed from the project site and disposed of at a North Dakota State approved landfill. No burning of construction materials or debris will be allowed at the project site. Unsuitable excavated material may be disposed of on site at a location determined by the Contracting Officers Representative (COR).

CLEANUP

Maintain the project work area in a clean and orderly condition throughout the progress of work under this contract.

STORAGE OF MATERIALS

The Contractor will be allowed to store materials and equipment at the project site. Coordinate the location of the storage area with the COR. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the loss of or damage to materials or equipment stored at the job site.

C-2 – Drawings

The following drawings are a part of this solicitation and any resulting contract:

Title Sheet.....	1
Summary of Quantities.....	2
Vicinity Map.....	3
Site Map.....	4
Well Pit Schematic.....	5
Description & Specifications.....	6-30

452.211-72 Statement of Work/Specifications. (FEB 1988)

The Contractor shall furnish the necessary personnel, material, equipment, services and facilities (except as otherwise specified), to perform the Statement of Work/Specifications referenced in Section J.

452.211-73 Attachments to Statements of Work/Specifications. (FEB 1988)

The attachments to the Statement of Work/Specifications listed in Section J are hereby made part of this solicitation and any resultant contract.

SECTION E - INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

52.246-12 Inspection of Construction. (APR 1996)

(a) *Definition.* "Work" includes, but is not limited to, materials, workmanship, and manufacture and fabrication of components.

(b) The Contractor shall maintain an adequate inspection system and perform such inspections as will ensure that the work performed under the contract conforms to contract requirements. The Contractor shall maintain complete inspection records and make them available to the Government. All work shall be conducted under the general direction of the Contracting Officer and is subject to Government inspection and test at all places and at all reasonable times before acceptance to ensure strict compliance with the terms of the contract.

(c) Government inspections and tests are for the sole benefit of the Government and do not -
(1) Relieve the Contractor of responsibility for providing adequate quality control measures;
(2) Relieve the Contractor of responsibility for damage to or loss of the material before acceptance;
(3) Constitute or imply acceptance; or
(4) Affect the continuing rights of the Government after acceptance of the completed work under paragraph (i) of this section.

(d) The presence or absence of a Government inspector does not relieve the Contractor from any contract requirement, nor is the inspector authorized to change any term or condition of the specification without the Contracting Officer's written authorization.

(e) The Contractor shall promptly furnish, at no increase in contract price, all facilities, labor, and material reasonably needed for performing such safe and convenient inspections and tests as may be required by the Contracting Officer. The Government may charge to the Contractor any additional cost of inspection or test when work is not ready at the time specified by the Contractor for inspection or test, or when prior rejection makes reinspection or retest necessary. The Government shall perform all inspections and tests in a manner that will not unnecessarily delay the work. Special, full size, and performance tests shall be performed as described in the contract.

(f) The Contractor shall, without charge, replace or correct work found by the Government not to conform to contract requirements, unless in the public interest the Government consents to accept the work with an appropriate adjustment in contract price. The Contractor shall promptly segregate and remove rejected material from the premises.

(g) If the Contractor does not promptly replace or correct rejected work, the Government may -
(1) By contract or otherwise, replace or correct the work and charge the cost to the Contractor; or
(2) Terminate for default the Contractor's right to proceed.

(h) If, before acceptance of the entire work, the Government decides to examine already completed work by removing it or tearing it out, the Contractor, on request, shall promptly furnish all necessary facilities, labor, and material. If the work is found to be defective or nonconforming in any material respect due to the fault of the Contractor or its subcontractors, the Contractor shall defray the expenses of the examination and of satisfactory reconstruction. However, if the work is found to meet contract requirements, the

Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment for the additional services involved in the examination and reconstruction, including, if completion of the work was thereby delayed, an extension of time.

(i) Unless otherwise specified in the contract, the Government shall accept, as promptly as practicable after completion and inspection, all work required by the contract or that portion of the work the Contracting Officer determines can be accepted separately. Acceptance shall be final and conclusive except for latent defects, fraud, gross mistakes amounting to fraud, or the Government's rights under any warranty or guarantee.

SECTION F - DELIVERIES OR PERFORMANCE

52.242-14 Suspension of Work. (APR 1984)

52.211-10 Commencement, Prosecution, and Completion of Work. (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall be required to (a) commence work under this contract within 10 calendar days after the date the Contractor receives the notice to proceed, (b) prosecute the work diligently, and (c) complete the entire work ready for use not later than September 30, 2015. The time stated for completion shall include final cleanup of the premises.

452.211-74 Period of Performance. (FEB 1988)

The period of performance of this contract is from NTP through August 22, 2014.

SECTION G - CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA

AGAR 452.215-73 Postaward Conference. (NOV 1996)

A post award conference with the successful offeror is required. It will be scheduled at a date/time to be determined.

SECTION H - SPECIAL CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

Noxious Weeds/Equipment Cleaning

All equipment shall be inspected prior to mobilizing to the worksite. The inspection must be coordinated with the project COR.

452.236-77 Emergency Response. (NOV 1996)

- (a) Contractor's Responsibility for Fire Fighting. (1) The Contractor, under the provisions of FAR clause 52.236-9, PROTECTION OF EXISTING VEGETATION, STRUCTURES, EQUIPMENT, UTILITIES, AND IMPROVEMENTS, shall immediately extinguish all fires on the work site other than those fires in use as a part of the work. (2) The Contractor may be held liable for all damages and for all costs incurred by the Government for labor, subsistence, equipment, supplies, and transportation deemed necessary to control or suppress a fire set or caused by the Contractor or the Contractor's agents or employees.
- (b) Contractor's Responsibility for Notification in Case of Fire. The Contractor shall immediately notify the Government of any fires sighted on or in the vicinity of the work site.
- (c) Contractor's Responsibility for Responding to Emergencies. When directed by the Contracting Officer,

the Contractor shall allow the Government to temporarily use employees and equipment from the work site for emergency work (anticipated to be restricted to firefighting). An equitable adjustment for the temporary use of employees and equipment will be made under the CHANGES clause, FAR 52.243-4.

452.237-74 Key Personnel. (FEB 1988)

(a) The Contractor shall assign to this contract the following key personnel:

On site Superintendent/Supervisor

(b) During the first thirty (30) days of performance, the Contractor shall make no substitutions of key personnel unless the substitution is necessitated by illness, death, or termination of employment. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer within 15 calendar days after the occurrence of any of these events and provide the information required by paragraph (c) below. After the initial 90-day period, the Contractor shall submit the information required by paragraph (c) to the Contracting Officer at least 15 days prior to making any permanent substitutions.

(c) The Contractor shall provide a detailed explanation of the circumstances necessitating the proposed substitutions, complete resumes for the proposed substitutes, and any additional information requested by the Contracting Officer. Proposed substitutes should have comparable qualifications to those of the persons being replaced. The Contracting Officer will notify the Contractor within 15 calendar days after receipt of all required information of the decision on substitutions. The contract will be modified to reflect any approved changes of key personnel.

SECTION I - CONTRACT CLAUSES

52.252-2 Clauses Incorporated by Reference. (FEB 1998)

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): <http://farsite.hill.af.mil/vffara.htm>;
<http://www.dm.usds.gov/procurement/policy/agar.html>.

52.209-6 Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting With Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (AUG 2013)

52.219-3 Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole Source Award (NOV 2011)

52.222-3 Convict Labor. (JUN 2003)

52.222-6 Davis-Bacon Act. (JUL 2005)

52.222-7 Withholding of Funds. (FEB 1988)

52.222-8 Payrolls and Basic Records. (JUN 2010)

52.222-9 Apprentices and Trainees. (JUL 2005)

52.222-10 Compliance with Copeland Act Requirements. (FEB 1988)

52.222-11 Subcontracts (Labor Standards). (JUL 2005)

52.222-12 Contract Termination - Debarment. (FEB 1988)

52.222-13 Compliance with Davis-Bacon and Related Act Regulations. (FEB 1988)

52.222-14 Disputes Concerning Labor Standards. (FEB 1988)

52.222-15 Certification of Eligibility. (FEB 1988)

52.222-21 Prohibition of Segregated Facilities. (FEB 1999)

52.222-26 Equal Opportunity. (MAR 2007)

52.222-27 Affirmative Action Compliance Requirements for Construction. (FEB 1999)

52.222-36 Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities. (OCT 2010)

52.223-5 Pollution Prevention and Right-to-Know Information. (MAY 2011)

52.223-6 Drug-Free Workplace. (MAY 2001)

- 52.225-13 Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases. (JUN 2008)
- 52.227-4 Patent Indemnity--Construction Contracts. (DEC 2007)
- 52.228-11 Pledges of Assets. (JAN 2012)
- 52.228-14 Irrevocable Letter of Credit. (DEC 1999)
- 52.232-5 Payments under Fixed-Price Construction Contracts. (SEP 2002)
- 52.232-18 Availability of Funds. (APR 1984)
- 52.232-23 Assignment of Claims. (JAN 1986)
- 52.232-27 Prompt payment for construction contracts. (JUL 2013)
- 52.232-33 Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer - System for Award Management. (JUL 2013)
- 52.233-1 Disputes. (JUL 2002)
- 52.233-3 Protest after Award. (AUG 1996)
- 52.233-4 Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim. (OCT 2004)
- 52.236-5 Material and Workmanship. (APR 1984)
- 52.236-6 Superintendence by the Contractor. (APR 1984)
- 52.236-7 Permits and Responsibilities. (NOV 1991)
- 52.236-8 Other Contracts. (APR 1984)
- 52.236-9 Protection of Existing Vegetation, Structures, Equipment, Utilities, and Improvements. (APR 1984)
- 52.236-10 Operations and Storage Areas. (APR 1984)
- 52.236-11 Use and Possession Prior to Completion. (APR 1984)
- 52.236-12 Cleaning Up. (APR 1984)
- 52.236-13 Accident Prevention. (NOV 1991)
- 52.236-17 Layout of Work. (APR 1984)
- 52.236-21 Specifications and Drawings for Construction. (FEB 1997)
- 52.243-1 Changes - Fixed-Price. (AUG 1987)
- 52.243-5 Changes and Changed Conditions. (APR 1984)
- 52.244-6 Subcontracts for Commercial Items. (DEC 2013)
- 52.245-1 Government Property. (APR 2012)
- 52.246-21 Warranty of Construction. (MAR 1994)
- 52.249-1 Termination for Convenience of the Government (Fixed-Price) (Short Form). (APR 1984)
- 52.249-10 Default (Fixed-Price Construction). (APR 1984)
- 52.253-1 Computer Generated Forms. (JAN 1991)

52.204-7 System for Award Management. (JUL 2013)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision-

Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number means the 9-digit number assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (D&B) to identify unique business entities.

Data Universal Numbering System +4 (DUNS+4) number means the DUNS number assigned by D&B plus a 4-character suffix that may be assigned by a business concern. (D&B has no affiliation with this 4-character suffix.) This 4-character suffix may be assigned at the discretion of the business concern to establish additional System for Award Management records for identifying alternative Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) accounts (see the FAR at Subpart 32.11) for the same concern.

Registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) database means that-

- (1) The offeror has entered all mandatory information, including the DUNS number or the DUNS+4 number, the Contractor and Government Entity (CAGE) code, as well as data required by the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (see subpart 4.14) into the SAM database;
- (2) The offeror has completed the Core, Assertions, and Representations and Certifications, and Points of Contact sections of the registration in the SAM database;
- (3) The Government has validated all mandatory data fields, to include validation of the Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The offeror will be required to provide consent for TIN validation to the Government as a part of the SAM registration

process; and

(4) The Government has marked the record "Active".

(b)(1) By submission of an offer, the offeror acknowledges the requirement that a prospective awardee shall be registered in the SAM database prior to award, during performance, and through final payment of any contract, basic agreement, basic ordering agreement, or blanket purchasing agreement resulting from this solicitation.

(2) The offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation "DUNS" or "DUNS +4" followed by the DUNS or DUNS +4 number that identifies the offeror's name and address exactly as stated in the offer. The DUNS number will be used by the Contracting Officer to verify that the offeror is registered in the SAM database.

(c) If the offeror does not have a DUNS number, it should contact Dun and Bradstreet directly to obtain one.

(1) An offeror may obtain a DUNS number-

(i) Via the Internet at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform> or if the offeror does not have internet access, it may call Dun and Bradstreet at 1-866-705-5711 if located within the United States; or

(ii) If located outside the United States, by contacting the local Dun and Bradstreet office. The offeror should indicate that it is an offeror for a U.S. Government contract when contacting the local Dun and Bradstreet office.

(2) The offeror should be prepared to provide the following information:

(i) Company legal business.

(ii) Tradestyle, doing business, or other name by which your entity is commonly recognized.

(iii) Company Physical Street Address, City, State, and Zip Code.

(iv) Company Mailing Address, City, State and Zip Code (if separate from physical).

(v) Company Telephone Number.

(vi) Date the company was started.

(vii) Number of employees at your location.

(viii) Chief executive officer/key manager.

(ix) Line of business (industry).

(x) Company Headquarters name & address (reporting relationship within entity).

(d) If the Offeror does not become registered in the SAM database in the time prescribed by the Contracting Officer, the Contracting Officer will proceed to award to the next otherwise successful registered Offeror.

(e) Processing time, which normally takes 48 hours, should be taken into consideration when registering. Offerors who are not registered should consider applying for registration immediately upon receipt of this solicitation.

(f) Offerors may obtain information on registration at <https://www.acquisition.gov>.

52.211-18 Variation in Estimated Quantity. (APR 1984)

If the quantity of a unit-priced item in this contract is an estimated quantity and the actual quantity of the unit-priced item varies more than 15 percent above or below the estimated quantity, an equitable adjustment in the contract price shall be made upon demand of either party. The equitable adjustment shall be based upon any increase or decrease in costs due solely to the variation above 115 percent or below 85 percent of the estimated quantity. If the quantity variation is such as to cause an increase in the time necessary for completion, the Contractor may request, in writing, an extension of time, to be received by the Contracting Officer within 10 days from the beginning of the delay, or within such further period as may be granted by the Contracting Officer before the date of final settlement of the contract. Upon the receipt of a written request for an extension, the Contracting Officer shall ascertain the

facts and make an adjustment for extending the completion date as, in the judgment of the Contracting Officer, is justified.

52.223-2 Affirmative Procurement of Biobased Products Under Service and Construction Contracts (SEP 2013)

(a) In the performance of this contract, the contractor shall make maximum use of biobased products that are United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)-designated items unless—

- (1) The product cannot be acquired—
 - (i) Competitively within a time frame providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
 - (ii) Meeting contract performance requirements; or
 - (iii) At a reasonable price.

(2) The product is to be used in an application covered by a USDA categorical exemption (see 7 CFR 3201.3(e)). For example, all USDA-designated items are exempt from the preferred procurement requirement for the following:

- (i) Spacecraft system and launch support equipment.
- (ii) Military equipment, i.e., a product or system designed or procured for combat or combat-related missions.

(b) Information about this requirement and these products is available at <http://www.biopreferred.gov>.

(c) In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall—

(1) Report to <http://www.sam.gov>, with a copy to the Contracting Officer, on the product types and dollar value of any USDA-designated biobased products purchased by the Contractor during the previous Government fiscal year, between October 1 and September 30; and

- (2) Submit this report not later than—
- (i) October 31 of each year during contract performance; and
 - (ii) At the end of contract performance.

(End of Clause)

52.225-9 Buy American Act - Construction Materials. (SEP 2010)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause-
"Commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item"-

- (1) Means any item of supply (including construction material) that is-
 - (i) A commercial item (as defined in paragraph (1) of the definition at FAR 2.101);
 - (ii) Sold in substantial quantities in the commercial marketplace; and
 - (iii) Offered to the Government, under a contract or subcontract at any tier, without modification, in the same form in which it is sold in the commercial marketplace; and

(2) Does not include bulk cargo, as defined in section 3 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. App. 1702), such as agricultural products and petroleum products.

"Component" means an article, material, or supply incorporated directly into a construction material.

"Construction material" means an article, material, or supply brought to the construction site by the Contractor or a subcontractor for incorporation into the building or work. The term also includes an item brought to the site preassembled from articles, materials, or supplies. However, emergency life safety systems, such as emergency lighting, fire alarm, and audio evacuation systems, that are discrete systems incorporated into a public building or work and that are produced as complete systems, are evaluated as a single and distinct construction material regardless of when or how the individual parts or components of

those systems are delivered to the construction site. Materials purchased directly by the Government are supplies, not construction material.

"Cost of components" means-

- (1) For components purchased by the Contractor, the acquisition cost, including transportation costs to the place of incorporation into the construction material (whether or not such costs are paid to a domestic firm), and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free entry certificate is issued); or
- (2) For components manufactured by the Contractor, all costs associated with the manufacture of the component, including transportation costs as described in paragraph (1) of this definition, plus allocable overhead costs, but excluding profit. Cost of components does not include any costs associated with the manufacture of the construction material.

"Domestic construction material" means-

- (1) An unmanufactured construction material mined or produced in the United States;
- (2) A construction material manufactured in the United States, if-
 - (i) The cost of its components mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components. Components of foreign origin of the same class or kind for which nonavailability determinations have been made are treated as domestic; or
 - (ii) The construction material is a COTS item.

"Foreign construction material" means a construction material other than a domestic construction material.

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

(b) Domestic preference. (1) This clause implements the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a-10d) by providing a preference for domestic construction material. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. 431, the component test of the Buy American Act is waived for construction material that is a COTS item (See FAR 12.505(a)(2)). The Contractor shall use only domestic construction material in performing this contract, except as provided in paragraphs (b)(2) and (b)(3) of this clause.

(2) This requirement does not apply to information technology that is a commercial item or to the construction materials or components listed by the Government as follows:

NONE

- (3) The Contracting Officer may add other foreign construction material to the list in paragraph (b)(2) of this clause if the Government determines that-
 - (i) The cost of domestic construction material would be unreasonable. The cost of a particular domestic construction material subject to the requirements of the Buy American Act is unreasonable when the cost of such material exceeds the cost of foreign material by more than 6 percent;
 - (ii) The application of the restriction of the Buy American Act to a particular construction material would be impracticable or inconsistent with the public interest; or
 - (iii) The construction material is not mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities of a satisfactory quality.

(c) *Request for determination of inapplicability of the Buy American Act.* (1)(i) Any Contractor request to use foreign construction material in accordance with paragraph (b)(3) of this clause shall include adequate information for Government evaluation of the request, including-

- (A) A description of the foreign and domestic construction materials;
- (B) Unit of measure;
- (C) Quantity;
- (D) Price;
- (E) Time of delivery or availability;
- (F) Location of the construction project;
- (G) Name and address of the proposed supplier; and
- (H) A detailed justification of the reason for use of foreign construction

materials cited in accordance with paragraph (b)(3) of this clause.

(ii) A request based on unreasonable cost shall include a reasonable survey of the market and a completed price comparison table in the format in paragraph (d) of this clause.

(iii) The price of construction material shall include all delivery costs to the construction site and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free certificate may be issued).

(iv) Any Contractor request for a determination submitted after contract award shall explain why the Contractor could not reasonably foresee the need for such determination and could not have requested the determination before contract award. If the Contractor does not submit a satisfactory explanation, the Contracting Officer need not make a determination.

(2) If the Government determines after contract award that an exception to the Buy American Act applies and the Contracting Officer and the Contractor negotiate adequate consideration, the Contracting Officer will modify the contract to allow use of the foreign construction material. However, when the basis for the exception is the unreasonable price of a domestic construction material, adequate consideration is not less than the differential established in paragraph (b)(3)(i) of this clause.

(3) Unless the Government determines that an exception to the Buy American Act applies, use of foreign construction material is noncompliant with the Buy American Act or Balance of Payments Program.

(d) *Data.* To permit evaluation of requests under paragraph (c) of this clause based on unreasonable cost, the Contractor shall include the following information and any applicable supporting data based on the survey of suppliers:

Foreign and Domestic Construction Materials Price Comparison			
Construction material description	Unit of	Quantity	Price
measure		(dollars)*	
<i>Item 1:</i>			
Foreign construction material	_____	_____	_____
Domestic construction material	_____	_____	_____
<i>Item 2:</i>			
Foreign construction material	_____	_____	_____
Domestic construction material	_____	_____	_____

List name, address, telephone number, and contact for suppliers surveyed. Attach copy of response; if oral, attach summary. Include other applicable supporting information.

* Include all delivery costs to the construction site and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free entry certificate is issued).

52.236-2 Differing Site Conditions. (APR 1984)

(a) The Contractor shall promptly, and before the conditions are disturbed, give a written notice to the Contracting Officer of -

(1) Subsurface or latent physical conditions at the site which differ materially from those indicated in this contract; or

(2) Unknown physical conditions at the site, of an unusual nature, which differ materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inhering in work of the character provided for in the contract.

(b) The Contracting Officer shall investigate the site conditions promptly after receiving the notice. If the conditions do materially so differ and cause an increase or decrease in the Contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performing any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed as a result of the conditions, an equitable adjustment shall be made under this clause and the contract modified in writing accordingly.

(c) No request by the Contractor for an equitable adjustment to the contract under this clause shall be allowed, unless the Contractor has given the written notice required; *provided*, that the time prescribed in paragraph (a) of this clause for giving written notice may be extended by the Contracting Officer.

(d) No request by the Contractor for an equitable adjustment to the contract for differing site conditions shall be allowed if made after final payment under this contract.

52.236-3 Site Investigation and Conditions Affecting the Work. (APR 1984)

(a) The Contractor acknowledges that it has taken steps reasonably necessary to ascertain the nature and location of the work, and that it has investigated and satisfied itself as to the general and local conditions which can affect the work or its cost, including but not limited to (1) conditions bearing upon transportation, disposal, handling, and storage of materials; (2) the availability of labor, water, electric power, and roads; (3) uncertainties of weather, river stages, tides, or similar physical conditions at the site; (4) the conformation and conditions of the ground; and (5) the character of equipment and facilities needed preliminary to and during work performance. The Contractor also acknowledges that it has satisfied itself as to the character, quality, and quantity of surface and subsurface materials or obstacles to be encountered insofar as this information is reasonably ascertainable from an inspection of the site, including all exploratory work done by the Government, as well as from the drawings and specifications made a part of this contract. Any failure of the Contractor to take the actions described and acknowledged in this paragraph will not relieve the Contractor from responsibility for estimating properly the difficulty and cost of successfully performing the work, or for proceeding to successfully perform the work without additional expense to the Government.

(b) The Government assumes no responsibility for any conclusions or interpretations made by the Contractor based on the information made available by the Government. Nor does the Government assume responsibility for any understanding reached or representation made concerning conditions which can affect the work by any of its officers or agents before the execution of this contract, unless that understanding or representation is expressly stated in this contract.

452.236-71 Prohibition Against the Use of Lead-Based Paint. (NOV 1996)

452.236-72 Use of Premises. (NOV 1996)

452.236-73 Archaeological or Historic Sites. (FEB 1988)

452.236-74 Control of Erosion, Sedimentation, and Pollution. (NOV 1996)

452.236-76 Samples and Certificates. (FEB 1988)

AGAR 452.209-71 Assurance Regarding Felony Conviction or Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants (FEB 2012) *Alternate 1*

(a) This award is subject to the provisions contained in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012 (P.L. No. 112-74), Division E, Sections 433 and 434 regarding corporate felony convictions and corporate federal tax delinquencies. Accordingly, by accepting this award the contractor acknowledges that it - (1) does not have tax delinquency, meaning that it is not subject to 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 has not been convicted (or had an officer or agent acting on its behalf convicted) of a federal criminal violation under any Federal law within 24 months preceding the award, unless a suspending and debarring official of the United States Department of Agriculture has considered suspension or debarment of the awardee, or such officer or agent, based on these convictions and/or tax delinquencies and determined that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.

(b) If the awardee fails to comply with these provisions, the Forest Service may terminate this contract for default and may recover any funds the awardee has received in violation of sections 433 or 434.

SECTION J - LIST OF DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS, AND OTHER ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Experience Questionnaire.docx	2 Pages
Attachment 2: Specifications.pdf	23 Pages
Attachment 3: Drawings	6 Pages
Attachment 4: Wage Determination (ND140015 01/03/2014 ND15)	5 Pages

Biobased Products

The contractor must comply with the Agricultural Act of 2014; the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008 (FCEA), 7 USC 8102; the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (FSRIA), 7 USC 8102; the Federal Acquisition Regulation; Executive Order (EO)13514, "Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy and Economic Performance," dated October 5, 2009; EO 13423, "Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy and Transportation Management," dated January 24, 2007; and Presidential Memorandum, "Driving Innovation and Creating Jobs in Rural America through Bio-based and Sustainable Product Procurement," dated February, 2012 to provide bio-based products.

All supplies and materials shall be of a type and quantity that conform to applicable Federal specifications and standards, and to the extent feasible and reasonable; include the exclusive use of bio-based and recycled products. The following is a list of categories for bio-preferred products that are required for performance of this construction contract:

Equipment Lubricants	Hydraulic Fluids	Fuel Additives
Engine Oils	Office Products (ink, paper)	Cleaning Products

For more information regarding the Department of Agriculture Bio-based Program go to:
<http://www.biopreferred.gov>

SECTION K - REPS, CERTS, & OTHER STATEMENTS OF OFFERORS OR RESPONDENTS

52.204-8 Annual Representations and Certifications. (DEC 2013)

- (a)(1) The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for this acquisition is 237110.
(2) The small business size standard is \$33.5 Million.
(3) The small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, other than on a construction or service contract, but which proposes to furnish a product which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.
- (b)(1) If the provision at 52.204-7, System for Award Management, is included in this solicitation, paragraph (d) of this provision applies.
(2) If the provision at 52.204-7 is not included in this solicitation, and the offeror is currently registered in the System for Award Management (SAM), and has completed the Representations and Certifications section of SAM electronically, the offeror may choose to use paragraph (d) of this provision instead of completing the corresponding individual representations and certifications in the solicitation. **The offeror shall indicate which option applies by checking one of the following boxes:**
[X] (i) Paragraph (d) applies.
[] (ii) Paragraph (d) does not apply and the offeror has completed the individual representations and certifications in the solicitation.
- (c)(1) The following representations or certifications in SAM are applicable to this solicitation as indicated:
(i) 52.203-2, Certificate of Independent Price Determination. This provision applies to solicitations when a firm-fixed-price contract or fixed-price contract with economic price

adjustment is contemplated, unless--

- (A) The acquisition is to be made under the simplified acquisition procedures in Part 13;
 - (B) The solicitation is a request for technical proposals under two-step sealed bidding procedures; or
 - (C) The solicitation is for utility services for which rates are set by law or regulation.
- (ii) 52.203-11, Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions. This provision applies to solicitations expected to exceed \$150,000.
- (iii) 52.204-3, Taxpayer Identification. This provision applies to solicitations that do not include provision at 52.204-7, System for Award Management.
- (iv) 52.204-5, Women-Owned Business (Other Than Small Business). This provision applies to solicitations that-
- (A) Are not set aside for small business concerns;
 - (B) Exceed the simplified acquisition threshold; and
 - (C) Are for contracts that will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.
- (v) 52.209-2, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations-Representation. This provision applies to solicitations using funds appropriated in fiscal years 2008, 2009, 2010, or 2012.
- (vi) 52.209-5, Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters. This provision applies to solicitations where the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.
- (vii) 52.214-14, Place of Performance--Sealed Bidding. This provision applies to invitations for bids except those in which the place of performance is specified by the Government.
- (viii) 52.215-6, Place of Performance. This provision applies to solicitations unless the place of performance is specified by the Government.
- (ix) 52.219-1, Small Business Program Representations (Basic & Alternate I). This provision applies to solicitations when the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.
- (A) The basic provision applies when the solicitations are issued by other than DoD, NASA, and the Coast Guard.
 - (B) The provision with its Alternate I applies to solicitations issued by DoD, NASA, or the Coast Guard.
- (x) 52.219-2, Equal Low Bids. This provision applies to solicitations when contracting by sealed bidding and the contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas.
- (xi) 52.222-22, Previous Contracts and Compliance Reports. This provision applies to solicitations that include the clause at 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity.
- (xii) 52.222-25, Affirmative Action Compliance. This provision applies to solicitations, other than those for construction, when the solicitation includes the clause at 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity.
- (xiii) 52.222-38, Compliance with Veterans' Employment Reporting Requirements. This provision applies to solicitations when it is anticipated the contract award will exceed the simplified acquisition threshold and the contract is not for acquisition of commercial items.
- (xiv) 52.223-1, Biobased Product Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that require the delivery or specify the use of USDA-designated items; or include the clause at 52.223-2, Affirmative Procurement of Biobased Products Under Service and Construction Contracts.
- (xv) 52.223-4, Recovered Material Certification. This provision applies to solicitations that are for, or specify the use of, EPA-designated items.
- (xvi) 52.225-2, Buy American Act Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations

containing the clause at 52.225-1.

(xvii) 52.225-4, Buy American Act--Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act Certificate. (Basic, Alternates I, II, and III.) This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at 52.225-3.

(A) If the acquisition value is less than \$25,000, the basic provision applies.

(B) If the acquisition value is \$25,000 or more but is less than \$50,000, the provision with its Alternate I applies.

(C) If the acquisition value is \$50,000 or more but is less than \$79,507, the provision with its Alternate II applies.

(D) If the acquisition value is \$79,507 or more but is less than \$100,000, the provision with its Alternate III applies.

(xviii) 52.225-6, Trade Agreements Certificate. This provision applies to solicitations containing the clause at 52.225-5.

(xix) 52.225-20, Prohibition on Conducting Restricted Business Operations in Sudan-- Certification. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(xx) 52.225-25, Prohibition on Contracting with Entities Engaging in Certain Activities or Transactions Relating to Iran-Representation and Certifications. This provision applies to all solicitations.

(xxi) 52.226-2, Historically Black College or University and Minority Institution Representation. This provision applies to-

(A) Solicitations for research, studies, supplies, or services of the type normally acquired from higher educational institutions; and

(B) For DoD, NASA, and Coast Guard acquisitions, solicitations that contain the clause at 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns.

(2) The following certifications are applicable as indicated by the Contracting Officer:

(i) 52.219-22, Small Disadvantaged Business Status.

(A) Basic.

(B) Alternate I.

(ii) 52.222-18, Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products.

(iii) 52.222-48, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment Certification.

(iv) 52.222-52 Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Certain Services--Certification.

(v) 52.223-9, with its Alternate I, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-Designated Products (Alternate I only).

(vi) 52.227-6, Royalty Information.

(A) Basic.

(B) Alternate I.

(vii) 52.227-15, Representation of Limited Rights Data and Restricted Computer Software.

(d) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the SAM Web site accessed through <https://www.acquisition.gov>. After reviewing the SAM database information, the offeror verifies by submission of the offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically that apply to this solicitation as indicated in paragraph (c) of this provision have been entered or updated within the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201); except for the changes identified below (offeror to insert changes, identifying change by clause number, title, date). 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.

FAR Clause No.[] Title[] Date[]Change[]

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 on SAM.

52.219-28 Post-Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation. (JUL 2013)

The Contractor represents that it ___ is, ___ is not a small business concern under NAICS Code **237110** assigned to contract number AG-87BJ-C-14-_____.

Contractor Signature & Title

Date

AGAR 452.209-70 Representation by Corporations Regarding and Unpaid Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction (FEB 2012) Alternative 1

(a) Awards made under this solicitation are subject to the provisions contained in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012 (P.L. No. 112-74), Division E, Sections 433 and 434 regarding corporate felony convictions and corporate federal tax delinquencies. To comply with these provisions, all offerors must complete paragraph (1) of this representation, and all corporate offerors also must complete paragraphs (2) and (3) of this representation.

(b) The Offeror represents that –

- (1) The Offeror is [], is not [] (*check one*) an entity that has filed articles of incorporation in one of the fifty states, the District of Columbia, or the various territories of the United States including American Samoa, Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, Midway Islands, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, Republic of Palau, Republic of the Marshall Islands, U.S. Virgin Islands. (Note that this includes both for-profit and non-profit organizations.)

If the Offeror checked “is” above, the Offeror must complete paragraphs (2) and (3) of the representation. If Offeror checked “is not” above, Offeror may leave the remainder of the representation blank.

- (2) (i) The Offeror has [], has not [] (*check one*) been convicted of a felony criminal violation under Federal or State law in the 24 months preceding the date of offer.
(ii) Offeror has [], has not [] (*check one*) had any officer or agent of Offeror convicted of a felony criminal violation for actions taken on behalf of Offeror under Federal law in the 24 months preceding the date of offer.
- (3) The Offeror does [], does not [] (*check one*) have 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.

Contractor’s Signature

Date

Contractor’s Name and Title

452.219-70 Size Standard and NAICS Code Information. (SEP 2001)

The North American Industrial Classification System Code(s) and business size standard(s) describing the products and/or services to be acquired under this solicitation are listed below:

Contract line item(s): ALL

- NAICS Code 237110 (Water and Sewer Line and Related Structures Construction)

- Size Standard \$33.5 Million (receipts in a three-year period)

SECTION L - INSTRUCTIONS, CONDITIONS, AND NOTICES TO OFFERORS OR RESPONDENTS

Respondents must submit/return the following:

1. Signed SF-18 and Schedule of Items/Pricing
2. 52.219-28 & AGAR 452.209-70 (page 17)
3. Experience Questionnaire

Electronic quotes are acceptable as responses to this solicitation.

E-mail address for receipt of quote is: aknaub@fs.fed.us

52.216-1 Type of Contract. (APR 1984)

The Government contemplates award of a Firm Fixed Price contract resulting from this solicitation.

52.222-23 Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity for Construction. (FEB 1999)

(a) The offeror's attention is called to the Equal Opportunity clause and the Affirmative Action Compliance Requirements for Construction clause of this solicitation.

(b) The goals for minority and female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the Contractor's aggregate workforce in each trade on all construction work in the covered area, are as follows:

Goals for Minority Participation for Each Trade

1.3%

Goals for Female Participation for Each Trade

6.9%

These goals are applicable to all of the Contractor's construction work performed in the covered area. If the Contractor performs construction work in a geographical area located outside of the covered area, the Contractor shall apply the goals established for the geographical area where the work is actually performed. Goals are published periodically in the *Federal Register* in notice form, and these notices may be obtained from any Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs office.

(c) The Contractor's compliance with Executive Order 11246, as amended, and the regulations in 41 CFR 60-4 shall be based on (1) its implementation of the Equal Opportunity clause, (2) specific affirmative action obligations required by the clause entitled "Affirmative Action Compliance Requirements for Construction," and (3) its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade. The Contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and women evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from Contractor to Contractor, or from project to project, for the sole purpose of meeting the Contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, Executive Order 11246, as amended, and the regulations in 41 CFR 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.

(d) The Contractor shall provide written notification to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Federal Contract Compliance, U.S. Department of Labor, within 10 working days following award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation. The notification shall list the-

- (1) Name, address, and telephone number of the subcontractor;
 - (2) Employer's identification number of the subcontractor;
 - (3) Estimated dollar amount of the subcontract;
 - (4) Estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract; and
 - (5) Geographical area in which the subcontract is to be performed.
- (e) As used in this Notice, and in any contract resulting from this solicitation, the "covered area" is Montana, Granite County, Golden Valley County, ND.

52.223-1 Biobased Product Certification (May 2012)

As required by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 and the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (7 U.S.C. 8102(c)(3)), the offeror certifies, by signing this offer, that biobased products (within categories of products listed by the United States Department of Agriculture in 7 CFR part 3201, subpart B) to be used or delivered in the performance of the contract, other than biobased products that are not purchased by the offeror as a direct result of this contract, will comply with the applicable specifications or other contractual requirements.

(End of provision)

52.225-10 Notice of Buy American Act Requirement - Construction Materials. (FEB 2009)

(a) Definitions. "Commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item," "construction material," "domestic construction material," and "foreign construction material," as used in this provision, are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act--Construction Materials" (Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clause 52.225-9).

(b) *Requests for determinations of inapplicability.* An offeror requesting a determination regarding the inapplicability of the Buy American Act should submit the request to the Contracting Officer in time to allow a determination before submission of offers. The offeror shall include the information and applicable supporting data required by paragraphs (c) and (d) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9 in the request. If an offeror has not requested a determination regarding the inapplicability of the Buy American Act before submitting its offer, or has not received a response to a previous request, the offeror shall include the information and supporting data in the offer.

(c) *Evaluation of offers.* (1) The Government will evaluate an offer requesting exception to the requirements of the Buy American Act, based on claimed unreasonable cost of domestic construction material, by adding to the offered price the appropriate percentage of the cost of such foreign construction material, as specified in paragraph (b)(3)(i) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9.

(2) If evaluation results in a tie between an offeror that requested the substitution of foreign construction material based on unreasonable cost and an offeror that did not request an exception, the Contracting Officer will award to the offeror that did not request an exception based on unreasonable cost.

(d) *Alternate offers.* (1) When an offer includes foreign construction material not listed by the Government in this solicitation in paragraph (b)(2) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9, the offeror also may submit an alternate offer based on use of equivalent domestic construction material.

(2) If an alternate offer is submitted, the offeror shall submit a separate Standard Form 1442 for the alternate offer, and a separate price comparison table prepared in accordance with paragraphs (c) and (d) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9 for the offer that is based on the use of any foreign construction material for which the Government has not yet determined an exception applies.

(3) If the Government determines that a particular exception requested in accordance with paragraph (c) of the clause at FAR 52.225-9 does not apply, the Government will evaluate only those offers based on use of the equivalent domestic construction material, and the offeror shall be required to furnish such domestic construction material. An offer based on use of the foreign construction material for which an exception was requested -

(i) Will be rejected as nonresponsive if this acquisition is conducted by sealed bidding;
or

(ii) May be accepted if revised during negotiations.

452.204-70 Inquiries. (FEB 1988)

Inquiries and all correspondence concerning this solicitation should be submitted in writing to the Contracting Officer. Offerors should contact only the Contracting Officer issuing the solicitation about any aspect of this requirement prior to contract award.

SECTION M - EVALUATION FACTORS FOR AWARD

Award Determination

Award will be made to the Respondent whose quote represents the best value to the Government. Factors to be considered in determining the best value include such matters as price, experience in similar work and past performance. Prices quoted – in the Schedule of Items – will be used to establish price reasonableness and to demonstrate the Respondent's clear understanding of the work to be performed (price realism).

Evaluation Factors

Cost/price is of equal importance compared to similar experience and past performance; however, the importance of cost may become greater as the difference between similar experience and past performance decreases. Where similar experience and past performance are determined to be substantially equal, cost may control award.