

D. **ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT**: Review **Clause B19.19, ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT (PC&S)**. The reference price publication to be used to escalate/de-escalate your prices has been selected by DESC. **The Base Reference Date is 07 JANUARY 2002**. Contract prices will change weekly based on changes in the publications, **NOT BASED ON YOUR PRODUCT COSTS**. After Award, DESC will post updated weekly contract prices to the web under "Doing Business with DESC" on the DESC homepage at www.desc.dla.mil.

E. **COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY (CAGE) CODE REPORTING**: Please insert your CAGE code in Block 17a of SF1449, in the space marked "Facility Code." If you do not have a CAGE code, insert the word "None" in the block and call Ms. Pamela Jaeger, (703) 767-9540 to initiate the process for obtaining a CAGE Code.

F. **DUNS NUMBER**: Include your company Data Universal Numbering System Number on the Price Data Sheet(s) of your Offeror Submission Package.

G. **CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION (CCR)** is required prior to contract award. Clause I1.07 REQUIRED CENTRAL REGISTRATION, requires contractors to register in the Department of Defense (DoD) Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database. The CCR is a central repository of trading partner information about firms qualified to conduct business with the Federal Government. Contractors register on a one-time basis and confirm on an annual basis that their CCR registration is complete and accurate. Offerors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements by calling 1-888-227-2423 or via Internet at www.ccr2000.com.

H. **AMENDMENTS**: **Offerors must acknowledge receipt of any and all amendments** to this solicitation by signing and returning one (1) copy the amendment(s) to this Solicitation either with the offer or separate mailing. Also, be certain to **clearly identify all exceptions to the solicitation terms and conditions, if any**.

I. **Care** should be taken to mail correspondence relating to this Solicitation or resulting contract to the address in Block 9 of the SF 1449. Invoices and supporting documents are to be submitted in accordance with PORTS Clauses G150.03-1 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF INVOICES FOR PAYMENT (PORTS INTERNET APPLICATION), G150.06-1, SUBMISSION OF INVOICES FOR PAYMENT (DOMESTIC PC&S) and G150.11 SUBMISSION OF INVOICES BY FACSIMILE.

J. **SPECIAL NOTE**: Please note that as a result of the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act (FASA), there have been substantial changes to the methods in which offers will be evaluated. The Government will now be awarding contracts to the responsible offeror(s) that represent the "**BEST OVERALL VALUE**". The Government will evaluate each offeror's record of Past Performance in addition to price and price related factors. Please complete the Contractor Performance Data Sheet included in the Offeror Submission Package (Attachment A) as instructed and return with your Offer. YOUR ATTENTION IS INVITED TO CLAUSES:

L2.01-1 - PROPOSAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS AND PAST PERFORMANCE SUBMISSION (DOMESTIC) (DESC OCT 1999)

M72.02 - EVALUATION FACTORS FOR BEST OVERALL VALUE (DOMESTIC) (DESC MAR 1999)

k. Any contract awarded to an offeror who, at the time of award was suspended, ineligible, or debarred from receipt of contract with Government agencies, or in receipt of a notice of proposed debarment from any Government agency, is voidable at the option of the Government.

l. **ATTENTION OFFERORS: DESC requests careful review of Clause F1.09-2 DETERMINATION OF QUANTITY**. Adherence to this quantity determination clause should eliminate quantity discrepancies that can cause short payment of invoices.

M. **ESCALATING GASOLINE ITEMS – OXYGENATED//NON-OXYGENATED GASOLINE ITEMS:** Prices for oxygenated/non-oxygenated items will be adjusted during the oxygenated and non-oxygenated periods to allow for the difference in reference prices between the two periods. See Clause C16.69-7 SPECIFICATIONS (CONT'D) (COG 7) for specific oxygenated periods, by State, and carefully review Clause B19.19 ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT to ensure you are calculating your offer using the correct reference price(s) and to verify the publication with which the offered gasoline item is posting.

N. **GASOHOL/GASOLINE ITEMS:** If bidding on alternate GASOHOL/GASOLINE items, please be aware that bids may be submitted on gasohol or gasoline, or both. However, award will be made either to gasohol or gasoline based on the lowest overall cost to the Government. Gasohol cannot be substituted for gasoline or vice versa. The product awarded "gasohol" or "gasoline" will be delivered for the entire contract performance period. The term "Gasohol" does not mean, "Oxygenated Gasoline."

O. **TAX INFORMATION:** Applicability of various Federal, State and Local taxes is governed by the following Clauses:

I28.01 FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL TAXES (DEVIATION)

I28.02-2 FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL TAXES/FEES EXCLUDED FROM CONTRACT PRICE

I28.03-2 TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES

Please note that it is the offeror's responsibility to ensure all applicable taxes and fees are included or excluded from their offer prices, as appropriate under aforementioned clauses. Defense Energy Support Center has a **State Fuel Tax Tabulation** listing that can be accessed on-line under the heading Doing Business with DESC, scroll down for tabulation, at www.desc.dla.mil. The taxes addressed in this listing are a guide and the accuracy is not guaranteed. The offeror is responsible for confirming the applicability of tax and tax rates with the State or local tax authority in question. If new revised data is discovered, please advise one of the Contract Specialists listed in paragraph I. above.

p. **DESC CONTACT POINTS:**

(1) **Emergency Situations After Duty Hours** -- Command Control Center (CCC) on Telephone Number: (703) 767-8420 OR (800) 2 TOPOFF.

(2) **Clarification or additional information regarding Solicitation SP0600-02-R-0026:** Contract Specialists Pam Metzger at (703) 767-9526; Theodore Jones at (703) 767-9535.

(3) **Small Business Information** – Kathy Williams, Small Business Specialist at (800) 523-2601 or (703) 767-9465.

SUBMISSION OF OFFERS

OFFERS MAY BE FAXED OR MAILED TO THE FOLLOWING:

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SPO600-02-R-0026

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