

**INFORMATION TO OFFERORS OR QUOTERS
SECTION A - COVER SHEET**

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1. SOLICITATION NUMBER	2. (X one) <input type="checkbox"/> a. INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) <input type="checkbox"/> b. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) <input type="checkbox"/> c. REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)	3. DATE/TIME RESPONSE DUE
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INSTRUCTIONS

NOTE: The provision entitled "Required Central Contractor Registration" applies to most solicitations.

1. If you are not submitting a response, complete the information in Blocks 9 through 11 and return to the issuing office in Block 4 unless a different return address is indicated in Block 7.
2. Offerors or quoters must include full, accurate, and complete information in their responses as required by this solicitation (including attachments). "Fill-ins" are provided on Standard Form 18, Standard Form 33, and other solicitation documents. Examine the entire solicitation carefully. The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.
3. Offerors or quoters must plainly mark their responses with the Solicitation Number and the date and local time for bid opening or receipt of proposals that is in the solicitation document.
4. Information regarding the timeliness of response is addressed in the provision of this solicitation entitled either "Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals of Bids" or "Instructions to Offerors - Competitive Acquisition".

4. ISSUING OFFICE <i>(Complete mailing address, including ZIP Code)</i>	5. ITEMS TO BE PURCHASED <i>(Brief description)</i>
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6. PROCUREMENT INFORMATION *(X and complete as applicable)*

<input type="checkbox"/>	a. THIS PROCUREMENT IS UNRESTRICTED
<input type="checkbox"/>	b. THIS PROCUREMENT IS _____ % SET-ASIDE FOR SMALL BUSINESS. THE APPLICABLE NAICS CODE IS: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	c. THIS PROCUREMENT IS _____ % SET-ASIDE FOR HUB ZONE CONCERNS. THE APPLICABLE NAICS CODE IS: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	d. THIS PROCUREMENT IS RESTRICTED TO FIRMS ELIGIBLE UNDER SECTION 8(a) OF THE SMALL BUSINESS ACT.

7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

8. POINT OF CONTACT FOR INFORMATION

a. NAME <i>(Last, First, Middle Initial)</i>		b. ADDRESS <i>(Include Zip Code)</i>	
c. TELEPHONE NUMBER <i>(Include Area Code and Extension)</i>		d. E-MAIL ADDRESS	

9. REASONS FOR NO RESPONSE *(X all that apply)*

<input type="checkbox"/> a. CANNOT COMPLY WITH SPECIFICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> d. DO NOT REGULARLY MANUFACTURE OR SELL THE TYPE OF ITEMS INVOLVED
<input type="checkbox"/> b. UNABLE TO IDENTIFY THE ITEM(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> e. OTHER <i>(Specify)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> c. CANNOT MEET DELIVERY REQUIREMENT	

10. MAILING LIST INFORMATION *(X one)*

WE DO DO NOT DESIRE TO BE RETAINED ON THE MAILING LIST FOR FUTURE PROCUREMENT OF THE TYPE INVOLVED.

11a. COMPANY NAME	b. ADDRESS <i>(Include Zip Code)</i>
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c. ACTION OFFICER

(1) TYPED OR PRINTED NAME <i>(Last, First, Middle Initial)</i>	(2) TITLE
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(3) SIGNATURE	(4) DATE SIGNED <i>(YYYYMMDD)</i>
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SOLICITATION NUMBER	
DATE (YYYYMMDD)	LOCAL TIME

C. This is a draft solicitation. Its purpose is to elicit comments or questions from industry. Those comments or questions will be used to improve the quality of the actual solicitation. Submit all comments or questions to the point of contact listed in Block 8 of Form 1707 no later than 17 November 2003. The comments or questions will be answered in open forum at the presolicitation conference to be held on 25 November 2003 at 0900. The conference shall be held in the Command Conference Room of the McNamara Complex on Fort Belvoir, VA 22060. All potential offerors are invited to participate. Each offeror may reserve 3 seats through the Point of contact no later than 17 November 2003. The presolicitation conference shall consist of a briefing on the Defense Logistic Agency, the Defense Energy Support Center, the Card Program Office, Questions answered, and private interviews between the Government and individual potential offerors.

D. The following clause is critical to your offer: L2.34 - Proposal Format and Content.

E. Questions regarding small business matters may be directed to the Associate Director of the DESC Small Business Office (DESC-DU) at 800-523-2601. All parties are welcome to visit DESC's Small Business Web Page at the following web address:

<http://www.desc.dla.mil/DCM/DCMPage.asp?LinkID=pgeSmallBusiness>

F. IMPORTANT NOTICE: All contractors must be registered in the Central Contractor Registration. See clause I1.07 for details.

G. Unless you specifically state otherwise, your offer is assumed to accept all terms and conditions of this solicitation. Any exceptions to any part of this solicitation must be specifically identified in a cover letter to your proposal.

H. NOTICE: Any contract awarded to a Contractor who, at the time of award was suspended, debarred, ineligible for 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.