

Justification Review Document
For Other Than Full and Open Competition

Program/Equipment: IOTV Commercial Cleaning

Authority: 10 U.S.C. (c)(2)

Amount \$550,000

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Title: Supply Management Specialist

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Reviews: I have reviewed this justification and find it adequate to support other than full and open competition.

Program Manager:

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**Justification and Approval
For Other Than Full and Open Competition**

1. Contracting Agency – U.S. Army RDECOM Contracting Center, Natick Contracting Division, Attn: CCRD-NA-SY, Kansas Street, Natick, MA 01760
2. Description of Action – This contract will provide specialized cleaning service to the ARMY for cleaning the soiled Improved Outer Tactical Vests (IOTVs), a body armor vest, which have been returned by the Soldiers from theatre.
3. Description of Supplies/Services -

Contractor shall provide specialized cleaning service utilizing computer-controlled wet cleaning process to clean 30,000 soiled IOTVs.

The following specific tasks will comprise the work effort:

3.1 Receiving Inspection

3.2 Disassembly

3.3 Computer- controlled Wet Cleaning

3.4 Drying with Residual Moisture-controlled Dryer

3.5 Equilibration

3.6 Reassembly

3.7 Final Inspection

3.8 Packaging

3.9 Return Shipment

3.10 Quality Report

4. Authority Cited:

FAR 6.302-2 Unusual and compelling urgency.

5. Reason for Authority Cited: There has been a severe shortage of IOTVs to supply to the deploying Soldiers due to some past manufacturing contractual difficulties. Most IOTVs, which are returned by the Soldiers to the Central Issue Facilities (CIFs) upon completion of their tour duties, are heavily soiled with dirt, perspiration, body oil/fluid, and are smelly. Reissuing these soiled IOTVs without proper cleaning presents a serious health risk to the Soldiers. Without the body armor, deployed Soldiers will be exposed to serious bodily harm and even death by enemy small arms and ballistic fragmentations. Therefore, to keep the Soldiers protected from these threats, ARMY has the urgent and compelling needs to have these soiled IOTVs cleaned and to reissue the cleaned body armor to the deploying soldiers.

Presently the CIFs have over 30,000 soiled IOTVs in stock waiting to be cleaned and reissued to the deploying Soldiers. There are over 180,000 Soldiers being deployed in the Middle East. ARMY needs to clean every

available soiled IOTV returned to the CIFs to resupply to the deploying Soldiers. The Government expects to take about [REDACTED] to get the competitive contract awarded. Chesley the Cleaners can clean [REDACTED] without ramping up production.

6. Efforts to Obtain Competition:

Soldier Equipment Support Team, S-PSID contacted three commercial cleaners (Chesley the Cleaner, [REDACTED] regarding ARMY's IOTV cleaning need. Only one cleaner, Chesley the Cleaner, has the technical expertise and has fully demonstrated their capabilities in fulfilling the ARMY's IOTV cleaning requirements. [REDACTED] does not have the production capacity and storage facility to handle the order quantity from the ARMY. While [REDACTED] claimed to have computer-controlled wet cleaning capabilities, their production and quality capabilities are unproven. To develop and qualify [REDACTED] as a potential contractor will require at least four to five months of work, but due to the urgency of having the IOTVs cleaned to supply to the deploying Soldiers, we do not have the time needed to develop and qualify [REDACTED] or any other vendor at this point.

7. Actions to Increase Competition:

This sole source contract is intended to be short-termed. It provides ARMY the means to answer the urgent IOTV cleaning needs. In the meantime, Central Management Office (CMO) will prepare a full and open multiple year contract to replace this short term sole source contract. S-PSID has completed an IOTV cleaning study and is assisting CMO in identifying and developing potential commercial cleaners that have the required technologies and capabilities to meet ARMY's needs for the longer term full and open contract.

8. Market Research: An IOTV Cleaning Study was completed in April 2010 in which different cleaning technologies were evaluated. Computer-controlled wet cleaning was identified and selected as the best value solution for cleaning the soiled IOTVs. A market research via the internet was conducted to survey commercial cleaners in the U.S., which have computer-controlled wet cleaning capabilities and abilities to service the ARMY's needs. Three cleaners were contacted directly, and Chesley was identified as the only viable vendor that can readily fulfill the ARMY's immediate needs.

9. Interested Sources: Any commercial cleaner who expresses interest in the future will receive due consideration under the law for the long full and open contract.

10. Other Facts: N.A.

11. Technical Certification:

I certify that the supporting data under my cognizance which are included in the justification are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Date: 26 May 2010

Title: Textile Technologist (S-PSID, ILSC)I

Signature: [Redacted]

12. Requirements Certification:

I certify that the supporting data under my cognizance which are included in the justification are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Typed Name: [Redacted]

Date: 26 MAY 2010

Title: Supply Management Specialist (CMO)

Signature: [Redacted]

13. Fair and Reasonable Cost Determination:

I hereby determine that the anticipated cost to the Government for this contract action will be fair and reasonable.

Typed Name: Vincenzo Valastro

Date: 6/29/2010

Title: Contracting Officer

Signature: Vincenzo Valastro

14. Procuring Contracting Officer Certification:

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

Typed Name: Vincenzo Valastro

Date: 6/29/2010

Title: Contracting Officer

Signature: Vincenzo Valastro

APPROVAL

Based on the foregoing justification, I hereby approve the procurement of the IOTV Cleaning Service on an other than full and open competition basis pursuant to the authority of 10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(2) as implemented by 6.302-2 : Due to unusual and compelling urgency, [Redacted] is the only viable source who can readily fulfill the ARMY's immediate IOTV cleaning needs for this short term contract.

Date: 7/13/2010

Signature: Vincenzo Valastro