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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, DEFENSE ENERGY SUPPORT CENTER (DESC) ATTN: DESC-BZD

SUBJECT: Justification and Approval (J&A) Request for Other Than Full and Open Competition Exceeding \$50 Million for JP8 Turbine Fuel, Alternate Route for Al Assad and Al Taquddem, Irag Through Jordan Under Authority of 10 U.S.C. 2304 (C)(2) (SP0600-04-D-0506)

This is to advise you that on July 28, 2004, the DLA Senior Procurement Executive signed the subject J&A. A copy of the signed J&A is attached. The original J&A and its attachments have been sent directly to the contracting officer.

The J-3312 point of contact for this action is Major Gary Binder, USAF (
(DSN (MARKED)).

PETER F. RUNFOLA

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Attachment

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JUSTIFICATION FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION FOR AN ALTERNATE SUPPLY ROUTE FOR JP8 THROUGH JORDAN TO IRAQ UNDER AUTHORITY OF 10 U.S.C. 2304(C)(2) Solicitation SP0600-04-R-0054-0002

1. Introduction:

The Defense Logistics Agency, Defense Energy Support Center (DESC), is the contracting activity. The action being approved is the acquisition of supplies for JP8 on an other than full and open competition basis.

2. Description of Agency's Need [10 U.S.C. 2304(f)(3)(A)]:

This requirement is to establish an alternate supply route for Turbine Fuel, Aviation (JP8) through Jordan to Al Assad and Al Taquiddem, Iraq in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The military's need of JP8 for this supply route is estimated at 21,960,000 USG of JP8 for Al-Assad, Iraq, and 14,640,000 USG of JP8 for Al-Taquiddem for a total estimated quantity of 36,600,000 gallons. The contract award price is \$76,860,000 with a delivery period of June 15, 2004, through December 15, 2004, plus a 30-day carry-over period.

3. Authority for Unusual and Compelling Urgency 10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(2):

The authority for other than full and open competition relied upon for this acquisition is 10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(2), FAR 6.302-2, Unusual and Compelling Urgency. This solicitation was urgently required to establish an alternate supply route through Jordan to ensure uninterrupted JPS supply to Al Assad and Al Taquddem, Iraq. There were no current contract assets to meet this requirement because JPS is not normally purchased for these locations. The agency's need for the alternate fuel route was of such an unusual and compelling urgency that the Government would have been seriously injured unless the agency was permitted to limit the amount of time allotted to receive solicited bids or proposals. The current supply routes to these locations are subject to attack by terrorist elements. This would cause severe interruption to the supply line and jeopardize the mission. As the alternate supply route is needed by U.S. Forces in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, any delay in award would seriously impact the warfighter's readiness level and ability to meet mission requirements.

4. Market Research/Efforts to Obtain Competition [10 U.S.C. 2304 (f)(3)(D) & (E)]:

Because of DESC's knowledge of the petroleum market and product availability, no market research was required. Pursuant to FAR 5.202(a)(2), the Contracting Officer was not required to synopsize this requirement. However, in an effort to maximize competition, the subject solicitation was synopsized with a shortened timeframe to submit a proposal. Eleven sources were identified as potential suppliers and were specifically contacted.

5. Price / Cost Considerations [10 U.S.C. 2304 (f)(3)(C)]:

When the requirement was initially identified as urgent and compelling, the Contracting Officer contacted the current supplier, Trigeant, who was already operating in Jordan with the required permits. The Contracting Officer wished to enter into a contract with a

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period of only a few weeks to meet the immediate need, and allow time to compete the remainder of the requirement. Trigeant was not able to accept the short delivery period because it would not be able to recoup its startup costs. Therefore, the Contracting Officer determined that the 6-month delivery period was the shortest timeframe possible in which offerors would have sufficient time to recoup start up costs. The 6-months were considered necessary to entice offerors to submit a proposal.

At the outset of this acquisition, the Government anticipated adequate price competition. In a previous procurement for deliveries to Iraq through Jordan, DESC received 15 offers and obtained adequate price competition. It was anticipated that many of the same offerors from the initial procurement would compete for the current requirement.

Six offers were received. However, only International Oil Trade Center (IOTC) was determined acceptable because it was the only offeror able to provide, prior to close of negotiations, the required letter from the Jordanian government authorizing it to transit fuel through Jordan to Iraq. CENTCOM confirmed that it had an urgent military need for a JP8 supply route through Jordan.

6. Actions Being Taken to Overcome Barriers to Competition [10 U.S.C.2304(f)(3)(F)]:

Although there was a shortened response time, the solicitation was advertised on FEDBIZOPPS and sent to eleven potential offerors in an attempt to obtain as much competition as possible given the time constraints.

It is anticipated that in the event the need for an alternate supply route to Al-Assad and Al-Taquiddem continues, a solicitation will be issued under normal procurement time lines rather than on an urgent and compelling basis. Although the Government does not have any authority over the Jordanian government's issuance of permits to transit fuel through its territory, DESC will continue to address this issue through diplomatic channels.

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

Erin S. Ralph

Contract Specialist

Bulk Fuels

Date July 21,3004

Joy E. Mullori

Contracting Officer

Bulk Fuels

Date: 21 July 200

I hereby certify that the data which form the basis for this justification is accurate and complete and that the purchase request covers only the minimum requirements to satisfy the needs of the Government.

Robert Short

Chief, Inventory and Distribution Division

Bulk Fuels

Date: 7/21/24

Donald E. Peschka

Chief, Contracting Division

Bulk Fuels

Date

Mark K. Iden

Director,

Bulk Fuels

Date 2/ July 04

I have reviewed this Justification.

DESC Office of Counsel

Date

1/2/04

I have reviewed and hereby recommend that this Justification be approved:

Competition Advocate

Center Senior Procurement Official

Date Oulu 21, 7004

Director

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I have reviewed this justification:

DLA Office of General Counsel

Date 7/2/04

I have reviewed and hereby recommend that this justification be approved:

DLA Competition Advocate

Date 7/-

Approval:

CLAUDIA S. KNOTT

Senior Procurement Executive

Date 7/21/04