

December 19, 2012

Dear Prospective Offeror:

SUBJECT: Request for Quotation Number SCA52513Q0064, Gardening and Snow Removal Services for U.S. Consulate General Halifax

Enclosed is a Request for Quotation (RFQ) for Gardening and Snow Removal Services for U.S. Consulate General Halifax.

A site visit will be held on January 4, 2013, 10:00 A.M. Site visit will take place at 6635 Norwood Street, Halifax and will proceed to 1973 Upper Water Street, Halifax, thereafter. All prospective offerors will be invited to attend. For additional information or arrange for access to these locations please contact Ethel Clarke at 902-442-2077 on or before 12:00 noon on January 3, 2013 AST and provide the names of all individuals planning to attend the conference.

If you would like to submit a proposal, follow the instructions in Section 3 of the solicitation and complete the required portions of the attached document as follows:

- 1) Standard Form (SF) 1449, Cover Sheet, page 1
- 2) Section 1, Pricing, pages 5-6
- 3) Section 5, Offeror Representations and Certifications, pages 36-50
- 4) Additional information required under Section 3, pages 32-33

Proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "**Proposal Enclosed – SCA52513Q0064**" **on or before 4:00 P.M. on January 25, 2013 AST**. No proposal will be accepted after this time.

Proposals can be submitted via courier to:
U.S. Consulate General
1973 Upper Water Street
Halifax, NS B3J 0A9
Attention: Ethel Clarke

The U.S. Government intends to award a contract to the lowest priced, technically acceptable and responsible offeror. We intend to award a contract based on initial proposals, without holding discussions, although we may hold discussions with companies in the competitive range if there is a need to do so.

Questions regarding this solicitation should be submitted to Paul Yeskoo and Alma Andico at the following email addresses YeskooPD@state.gov and AndicoA@state.gov or by fax to 613-688-3091
Attention: Alma Andico.

The Embassy appreciates your interest in this solicitation.

Sincerely,

/signed
Paul Yeskoo
Contracting Officer
U.S. Embassy, Canada

SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS <i>OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, & 30</i>				1. REQUISITION NUMBER	PAGE 1 OF 50
2. CONTRACT NO.	3. AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE	4. ORDER NUMBER	5. SOLICITATION NUMBER SCA52513Q0064	6. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE December 19, 2012	
7. FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL	a. NAME Paul Yeskoo / Alma Andico		b. TELEPHONE NUMBER(No collect calls) 613-688-5250 / 613-688-5310	8. OFFER DUE DATE/ LOCAL TIME January 25, 2013 NLT 4:00 P.M.	
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			14. METHOD OF SOLICITATION <input type="checkbox"/> RFQ <input type="checkbox"/> IFB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFP		
15. DELIVER TO: Code		16. Administered by:			
17.a. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR CODE		FACILITY CODE	18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY Charleston Financial Center		
<input type="checkbox"/> 17b CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER		18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS BLOCK BELOW IS CHECKED <input type="checkbox"/> SEE ADDENDUM			
19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES		21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE
	See Section 1, Schedule of Services (Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)				
25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA				26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN _____ COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED HEREIN.			<input type="checkbox"/> 29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REF. _____ OFFER DATED _____. YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE SET FORTH HEREIN, IS ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS:		
30a. SIGNATURE OF OFFEROR/CONTRACTOR			31a. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER)		
30b. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (TYPE OR PRINT)		30c. DATE SIGNED	31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or Print)		31c. DATE SIGNED

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RECEIVED INSPECTED ACCEPTED, AND CONFORMS TO THE CONTRACT, EXCEPT AS NOTED: _____

32b. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE		32c. DATE	32d. PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE		
32e. MAILING ADDRESS OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE			32f. TELEPHONE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE 32g. E-MAIL OF AUTHORIZED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE		
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41.a. I CERTIFY THIS ACCOUNT IS CORRECT AND PROPER FOR PAYMENT		42a. RECEIVED BY (PRINT)			
41b. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF CERTIFYING OFFICER		41c. DATE		42b. RECEIVED AT (Location)	
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SECTION 1 - THE SCHEDULE

CONTINUATION TO SF-1449 RFQ NUMBER SCA52513Q0064 PRICES, BLOCK 23

1. SCOPE OF CONTRACT

The contractor shall perform gardening services and snow removal services, including furnishing all labor, material, equipment and services, for two (2) locations at the following addresses:

- 6635 Norwood Street, Halifax, NS
- 1973 Upper Water Street, Halifax, NS

The price listed below shall include all labor, materials, insurance (see FAR 52.228-4 and 52.228-5), overhead, and profit. The Government will pay the Contractor the fixed price per month for standard services that have been satisfactorily performed. All prices are in Canadian dollars.

After contract award and submission of acceptable insurance certificates, the Contracting Officer shall issue a Notice to Proceed. The Notice to Proceed will establish a date (a minimum of ten (10) days from date of contract award unless the Contractor agrees to an earlier date) on which performance shall start.

The performance period of this contract is from the start date in the Notice to Proceed and continuing for 12 months, with four (4) one-year options to renew. The initial period of performance includes any transition period authorized under the contract.

Temporary Additional Services are services that are defined as Standard Services but are required at times other than the normal workday. These services shall support special events at the Post. The Contractor shall provide these services in addition to the scheduled services specified in this contract. The COR shall order these services as needed basis through issuance of task orders. This work shall be performed by Contractor trained employees, and shall not be subcontracted. The COR may require the Contractor to provide temporary additional services with 24 hour advance notice.

Because Temporary/Additional Services are based on indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity the minimum and maximum amounts are defined below:

Minimum: The Government shall place orders totaling a minimum of one (1) hour. This reflects the contract minimum for the base year and option period.

Maximum: The amount of all orders shall not exceed 80 hours. This reflects the contract maximum for the base year and each option period for temporary/additional services.

The Contractor shall include in its next regular invoice details of the temporary additional services and, if applicable, materials, provided and requested under temporary additional services. The Contractor shall also include a copy of the COR's written confirmation for the temporary additional services.

2. PRICING

2.1 BASE PERIOD (Starting on the date stated in the Notice to Proceed and continuing for a period of 12 months)

The firm fixed price for the first year of the contract is:

Per month _____ x 12 = _____ per year

TEMPORARY ADDITIONAL SERVICES. THE UNIT PRICE (FIRM-FIXED-PRICE) IS:

Hourly Rate _____

Estimated Number of Hours Per Year: 80 hours

Total Temporary Additional Services Not to Exceed for Base Year _____

TOTAL BASE PERIOD _____

2.2 FIRST OPTION YEAR PRICES

Option Term: Twelve (12) Months

Per month _____ x 12 = _____ per year

TEMPORARY ADDITIONAL SERVICES. THE UNIT PRICE (FIRM-FIXED-PRICE) IS:

Hourly Rate _____

Estimated Number of Square Meters for First Option Year: 80 hours

Total Temporary Additional Services Not to Exceed for First Option Year _____

TOTAL FIRST OPTION YEAR _____

2.3 SECOND OPTION YEAR PRICES

Option Term: Twelve (12) Months

Per month _____ x 12 = _____ per year

TEMPORARY ADDITIONAL SERVICES. THE UNIT PRICE (FIRM-FIXED-PRICE) IS:

Hourly Rate _____

Estimated Number of Square Meters for Second Option Year: 80 hours

Total Temporary Additional Services Not to Exceed for Second Option Year _____

TOTAL SECOND OPTION YEAR _____

2.4 THIRD OPTION YEAR PRICES

Option Term: Twelve (12) Months

Per month _____ x 12 = _____ per year

TEMPORARY ADDITIONAL SERVICES. THE UNIT PRICE (FIRM-FIXED-PRICE) IS:

Hourly Rate _____

Estimated Number of Square Meters for Third Option Year: 80 hours

Total Temporary Additional Services Not to Exceed for Third Option Year _____

TOTAL THIRD OPTION YEAR _____

2.5 FOURTH OPTION YEAR PRICES

Option Term: Twelve (12) Months

Per month _____ x 12 = _____ per year

TEMPORARY ADDITIONAL SERVICES. THE UNIT PRICE (FIRM-FIXED-PRICE) IS:

Hourly Rate _____

Estimated Number of Square Meters for Fourth Option Year: 80 hours

Total Temporary Additional Services Not to Exceed for Fourth Option Year _____

TOTAL FOURTH OPTION YEAR _____

2.6 GRAND TOTAL

Base Year -- _____

First Option Year -- _____

Second Option Year -- _____

Third Option Year -- _____

Fourth Option Year -- _____

Grand Total: _____

**CONTINUATION TO SF-1449
RFQ NUMBER SCA52513Q0064
SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES, BLOCK 20**

1. PERFORMANCE WORK STATEMENT

The purpose of this contract is to obtain gardening services for real property owned or managed by the U.S. Government at 6635 Norwood Street, and 1973 Upper Water Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia. The Contractor shall perform gardening services in all designated spaces.

1.2. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Maintenance and appearance of the grass, shrubbery, garden areas, trees, and related landscape elements of the U.S. Post and properties are an important part of the representational responsibilities of the U.S. mission. The Government will measure the Contractor's work by the appearance of the landscape covered by this contract. The Contractor shall perform complete gardening and landscape maintenance services as described in this contract for all Government properties listed in 1.16. The Contractor shall include all planning, administration, and management necessary to assure that all services comply with the contract, the COR's schedules and instructions, and all applicable laws and regulations. The Contractor shall meet all of the standards of performance identified in the contract. The Contractor shall perform all related support functions such as supply, subcontracting, quality control, financial oversight, and maintenance of complete records and files.

1.3. MANAGEMENT AND SUPERVISION

1.3.1. SUPERVISION. The Contractor shall designate a representative who shall be responsible for on-site supervision of the Contractor's workforce at all times. This supervisor shall be the focal point for the Contractor and shall be the point of contact with U.S. Government personnel. The supervisor shall have sufficient English language skill to be able to communicate with members of the U.S. Government staff. The supervisor shall have supervision as his or her sole function.

1.3.2. SCHEDULES. The Contractor shall maintain work schedules. The schedules shall take into consideration the hours that the staff can effectively perform their services without placing a burden on the security personnel of the Post. The Contractor shall deliver standard services between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday. For those items other than routine daily services, the contractor shall provide the COR with a detailed plan as to the personnel to be used and the time frame to perform the service. The Contractor shall comply with the time of day restrictions as contained in Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) Noise Bylaw N-200 located at: <http://www.halifax.ca/legislation/bylaws/hrm/bln200.pdf> except for snow removal which shall be accomplished before 8:00 A.M. at 6635 Norwood Street and before 9:30 A.M. at 1973 Upper Water Street, Halifax.

1.3.3. QUALITY CONTROL. The Contractor shall be responsible for quality control. The Contractor shall perform inspection visits to the work site on a regular basis. The Contractor shall coordinate these visits with the COR. These visits shall be surprise inspections to those working on the contract.

1.3.4 TECHNICAL GUIDANCE. The Contractor shall have the services of a trained horticulturist with experience in the climate and soil conditions found locally to give technical guidance to the Contractor's work force and to develop and guide the Contractor's programs for lawn and tree care.

1.3.5. GROUNDS MAINTENANCE PLAN. The Contractor shall submit an annual Grounds Maintenance Plan that reflects the proposed frequency for meeting the requirements of this contract. The Grounds Maintenance Plan will be developed to fit the requirements of local conditions, types of vegetation, and climate factors. Also, the Ground Maintenance Plan shall explain the flower bed plantings as specified in the scope of work.

The Contractor shall submit the Grounds Maintenance Plan to the COR for approval within 30 days after contract award. The Ground Maintenance Plan shall include fall/winter and spring clean up schedules.

1.4 LAWN CARE

1.4.1. GRASS CUTTING. The Contractor shall maintain the height of grass between 4 and 6 centimeters. The Contractor is responsible for all equipment and fuels needed to complete this task.

The Contractor shall maintain the height of the grass between 3 and 5 centimeters, and grass cutting shall be performed as often as necessary to ensure a presentable condition. Grass clippings shall be removed immediately after mowing. All equipment and fuels for the grass cutting requirement shall be supplied by the Contractor.

1.4.2 EDGING. The Contractor shall edge all sidewalks, driveways, shrub borders, flower beds and curbs each time the adjacent grass is cut.

1.4.3. TRIMMING. The Contractor shall trim grass around trees, shrubs, cultivated areas, sprinkler heads, valves, fences, buildings, poles, and structures, so that grass height does not exceed the height of the adjacent grass.

1.4.4. WEEDING. The Contractor shall weed the grounds and gardens on a continuous basis to prevent the growth of weeds into lawn and landscapes including the shrub borders and flower beds. The Contractor may use weed-killing chemicals to prevent the growth of weeds to eliminate grass and weeds in the cracks and joints within or along sidewalks and curbs. The Contractor shall obtain approval of the COR for all applications of weed killers.

No weed killing chemicals shall be applied to any area of the site without prior written permission from the COR. Prior to any approvals, the Contractor shall submit a list of chemicals to be used and for what reason.

1.4.5. TURF REPAIR AND RE-ESTABLISHMENT. The contractor shall, whenever necessary, repair areas damaged by vehicular traffic, oil and gas, building repairs, and normal foot traffic. The damaged area shall be filled in and leveled and then seeded or sodded, and maintained to conform to adjacent areas.

1.4.6. The method, frequencies, and dates of grass cutting, hedging, trimming, weeding, and turf repair shall be part of the contractor's Grounds Maintenance Plan.

1.5. PRUNING

1.5.1 The Contractor shall maintain trees, shrubs, hedges, bushes, vines, ground cover and flowers.

1.5.2 The Contractor shall prepare a written schedule, as part of the Grounds Maintenance Plan, showing the method, frequencies, and dates of pruning.

1.5.3 The Contractor shall prune all shrubs, vines, bushes, ground cover, and trees to:

- direct and encourage plant growth in directions desired,
- remove dead and unsightly growth, and
- maintain a neat and attractive appearance.

The Contractor shall prune according to the schedule in the Grounds Maintenance Plan to ensure that all heavy pruning is accomplished during the proper season according to best horticultural practice. The Contractor shall prune all hedges and shaped shrubs to maintain proper shape at all times.

1.5.4 At no additional cost to the Government, the Contractor shall replace any tree, bush or shrub that is killed or rendered unusable for its intended purpose through negligent or irresponsible practices that are attributable to the Contractor.

1.6. LEAF REMOVAL. The contractor shall, on a monthly basis, remove leaves and pine needles from the properties listed in Exhibit A and on a weekly basis during the period October to December, paying particular attention to steps and stairs to ensure they remain visible and not buried in leaf debris.

1.7. RECYCLED MATERIALS. The Contractor shall promote recycled uses for lawn and tree debris in meeting other gardening needs, such as mulch and compost.

1.8. REMOVAL OF DEBRIS. The Contractor shall remove foreign material, cuttings, grass, leaves, bark, limbs, dead vegetation, paper, and trash from the maintained areas including walkways, stairways and curbs within or adjacent to the area. The Contractor shall remove all debris and equipment from the work site before the end of each workday. Debris removal shall prevent unsightly accumulation. The Contractor shall promptly remove collected debris to an authorized disposal site. The Contractor is responsible for all expenses incurred in the collection and disposal of debris.

1.9. WATERING

1.9.1 Lawns, flowers, shrubs, planters and trees are to be watered as often as necessary to provide adequate moisture penetration to a depth of 7 centimeters. If natural precipitation has occurred in amount sufficient to fulfill this requirement, the Contractor may request the COR's permission to suspend watering to avoid detrimental saturation of the soil. Watering shall be done taking into account the kinds of vegetation, local soil conditions, and the seasonal variations in plant moisture requirements. The Contractor shall provide all hoses, portable sprinklers and other similar irrigation equipment. The supply of water shall be furnished by the Consulate General Residence.

1.9.2. The Contractor shall provide all hoses, portable sprinklers, and other similar irrigation equipment.

1.9.3. The Government shall furnish the supply of water.

1.10. FERTILIZER

1.10.1. Fertilizing and liming (if required) shall be performed in a manner that promotes health, growth, color, and appearance of cultivated vegetation. Fertilization shall be done in accordance with proper horticultural practice for the types of vegetation, soil, weather conditions, and seasons of the year. Prior to all applications, the Contractor shall provide a written list of chemicals to be used and for what reasons, within the restrictions imposed by the Halifax Regional Municipality effective April 1, 2003.

1.10.2. The method of application, fertilizer types, frequencies, and dates of fertilizing and liming shall be presented in a written schedule, 30 days prior to application as part of the Contractor's Ground Maintenance Plan. Fertilizing will not be performed without written approval from the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR). The 30 days notice is to ensure this requirement is fulfilled prior to application of product(s). Lawn areas shall be fertilized as set out in the Contractor's Ground Maintenance Plan. The contractor shall reflect in the invoice the corresponding cost in the month which the services were performed.

1.10.3. Trees, shrubs, bushes, hedges, flowerbeds and other plant growth shall be fertilized as set out in the Contractor's Ground Maintenance Plan. The contractor shall reflect in the invoice the corresponding cost in the month which the services were performed.

1.10.4. The Contractor shall replace any tree, bush or shrub that is killed or rendered unusable for its intended purpose due to negligence on the part of the contractor or its employees, at no additional cost to the U.S. Consulate General.

1.11. PEST AND DISEASE CONTROL. The contractor shall maintain a program for controlling pests and plant disease so as to maintain flowers, shrubs, vines, trees and other planted areas, including planters, in a healthy and vigorous condition. The Contractor shall obtain approval of the COR for all pesticides.

The contractor shall present a plan for pest and disease control as a part of its Grounds Maintenance Plan. The contractor shall reflect in the invoice the corresponding cost in the month which the services were performed.

1.12. HAZARDOUS AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES. It is the contractor's responsibility to ensure the safe handling, application, removal and environmentally sound disposal of all hazardous or potentially hazardous fertilizers, weed killers, and pest control products utilized in this requirement. The Contractor must follow any restrictions imposed by the Ottawa Regional Municipality and/or Province of Nova Scotia regarding such disposal.

1.13 FLOWERBEDS. The contractor shall provide the following flowerbeds planting scheme:

1.13.1 The Contractor shall provide a planned-chaotic, diversified, planting of the flower beds to provide a profusion of color and texture reminiscent of an English Country Garden throughout the four seasons. The plant selection and placement/design shall be submitted and approved by the COR and the Administrative Officer at the U.S. Consulate General, Halifax. The Contractor shall ensure that all such planting is completed in sufficient time to permit a good show of color and texture in advance of, and during, the July 4 reception.

The Contractor shall present as part of the "Grounds Maintenance Plan" the type (common name), size, quantity of recommended annuals for review and approval by the COR.

1.13.2 Spring 2007 - Top dress all (includes: front, rear and sides) flower beds with a combination quality mix of top soil and compost.

1.13.3 Bed care and plantings Spring 2007

1. Side yard beds, front beds, rear beds: After the tulips and daffodils fade, remove bulbs and replant with hardy annuals suited for Halifax's growing conditions.
2. Flower boxes, ceramic pots, and planters: The contents of these boxes, pots and planters is to be discussed and approved by the COTR and Administrative Officer. Suitable seasonal plantings for the flower boxes should be provided for winter, holiday period, etc. and the contents (including soil during the winter months) should be removed and the boxes cleaned as necessary to provide a pleasing display throughout the seasons.
3. Color and variety: The contractor shall provide a planting scheme with a combination of plants and color for each bed.
4. Flower maintenance: The contractor shall provide a planting scheme with a combination of plants and color for each bed.

1.13.4 Bed care and plantings Fall 2006

1. Removal of annuals: The contractor shall remove the annual plantings no earlier than October 2006.
2. Planting bulbs: The contractor shall plant 1000 quality bulbs, 700 Tulip bulbs and 300 Narcissus bulbs.
3. Bulb planting: The bulbs shall be planted as per Canadian Horticultural Council Trade and Industry Standards.
4. Bulb beds: The Tulips and Narcissus bulbs shall be planted throughout the flowerbeds in such a way to ensure a healthy display of spring flowers.

5. The window boxes on the front verandah, and the ceramic pots on the rear deck and the planters shall have the annual flowers removed at the end of the growing season.

1.13.5 The contractor shall reflect in the invoice the corresponding cost in the month which the services were performed.

1.14 SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

The contractor shall perform snow and ice removal snow removal before 8:00 A.M. at 6635 Norwood Street and before 9:30 A.M. at 1973 Upper Water Street, Halifax, if snowfall occurs overnight, and as necessary throughout the day until midnight, including weekends and holidays. This schedule for snow removal will occur whenever the accumulation reaches a depth of 2.5 centimeters (1 inch) or more. Ice conditions are not dependent on snow depth and should be undertaken whenever icing occurs or is likely to occur.

All entryways, including steps, garage bay entrances and driveway, sidewalks on Bloomingdale and Norwood Streets, walkway and two doorways at rear of residence (accessed via walkway along Bloomingdale side of the house) to be kept clear of ice and snow.

Removal of icicles from eaves where they pose a threat to tenants, guests and general public, in compliance with City of Halifax Ordinance No. 180, Section 31.

Removal of snow and ice from base of fire escape ladder on Bloomingdale side of residence, to ensure that snow and ice will not preclude its use in the event of a fire.

Trucking away of snow build-up, as and when needed, to permit ease of visibility and access to and from street, and to prevent unsightly or inordinate accumulation.

Due to environmental concerns, as well as concerns regarding the damage salt may cause to concrete walkways and steps, usage of products other than salt around this property shall be considered. The Contractor's chosen product shall be pre-approved by the COR and Contracting Officer prior to use. The product is to be used when necessary on driveway, walkway, sidewalks and steps. When weather conditions preclude using such product – based on the manufacturer's technical information -- sand is to be used on these areas.

Contractor shall submit manufacturer's technical information, label analysis, application instructions and Manufacturers Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for each deicing material proposed for use to the COR, in advance of the Fall/Winter ice and snow season. As an attachment, list each material and cross-reference specific application method. Identify each material by the manufacturer's catalog number and general classification.

The Contractor shall provide all equipment and supplies necessary to perform snow and ice removal as described above.

1.15. EXCLUSIONS

Repairs or replacements or losses or damage due to vandalism, theft, storm and vehicle or any other factor beyond the contractor's control. Any pre-existent conditions that are detrimental to plant growth are not the responsibility of the contractor and correction of this condition shall be accomplished by separate purchase order or contract. The Contractor shall bring this pre-existing condition to the attention of the CO.

1.16. LOCATION FOR GARDENING SERVICES

All standard services are to be delivered on regular business days, Monday through Friday, except for snow and ice removal described under Section 1.3.2 and 1.14.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Address</u>
a) Principal Officer's Residence	6635 Norwood Street, Halifax, NS
b) Mail Screening Facility	1973 Upper Water Street, Halifax NS B3J 0A9

2. WORKING HOURS

All work shall be performed between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. Monday through Friday except for snow removal before 9:30 A.M. at 1973 Upper Water Street Halifax. Snow and ice removal at 1973 Upper Water Street shall be undertaken Monday to Friday before 9:30 A.M., except for holidays identified in the Addendum in Section 2. At 6635 Norwood Street, the contractor shall provide for snow and ice removal to be undertaken before 8:00 A.M., if snowfall occurs overnight, and as necessary throughout the day until midnight, including weekends and holidays. Other hours may be approved by the Contracting Officer's Representative. The Contractor must provide at least 24 hour advance notice to the COR who will consider any deviation from the hours identified above.

3. DELIVERABLES

The following items shall be delivered under this contract:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DELIVERY DATE</u>	<u>DELIVER TO:</u>
Insurance	1	10 days after award	Contracting Officer
Grounds Maintenance Plan	1	10 days after award	COR
List of Personnel	1	10 days after award	COR
Transition Plan	1	10 days after award	COR
Payment Request	1	monthly	COR

4. PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS

4.1 GENERAL. The Contractor shall maintain discipline at the site and shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent any unlawful, riotous or disorderly conduct by Contractor employees at the site. The Contractor shall preserve peace and protect persons and property on site. The Government reserves the right to direct the Contractor to remove an employee from the worksite for failure to comply with the standards of conduct. The Contractor shall immediately replace such an employee to maintain continuity of services at no additional costs to the Government.

4.2 STANDARD OF CONDUCT.

4.2.1 Uniforms and Personal Equipment. The Contractor's employees shall wear clean, neat and complete uniforms when on duty. All employees shall wear uniforms approved by the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

4.2.2 Neglect of duties shall not be condoned. The Contractor shall enforce no sleeping while on duty, unreasonable delays or failures to carry out assigned tasks, conducting personal affairs during duty hours and refusing to render assistance or cooperate in upholding the integrity of the worksite security.

4.2.3 Disorderly conduct, use of abusive or offensive language, quarreling, intimidation by words, actions, or fighting shall not be condoned. Also included is participation in disruptive activities, which interfere with normal and efficient Government operations.

4.2.4 Intoxicants and Narcotics. The Contractor shall not allow its employees while on duty to possess, sell, consume, or be under the influence of intoxicants, drugs or substances that produce similar effects.

- Criminal Actions. Contractor employees may be subject to criminal actions as allowed by law in certain circumstances. These include but are not limited to the following actions:
 - Falsification or unlawful concealment, removal, mutilation, or destruction of any official documents or records or concealment of material facts by willful omission from official documents or records;
 - Unauthorized use of Government property, theft, vandalism, or immoral conduct;
 - Unethical or improper use of official authority or credentials;
 - Security violations; or,
 - Organizing or participating in gambling in any form.

KEY CONTROL. The Contractor shall receive, secure, issue and account for any keys issued for access to buildings, offices, equipment, gates, etc., for the purposes of this contract. The Contractor shall not duplicate keys without the COR's approval. Where it is determined that the Contractor or its agents have duplicated a key without permission of the COR, the Contractor shall remove the individual(s)

responsible from this contract. If the Contractor has lost any such keys, the Contractor shall immediately notify the COR. In either event, the Contractor shall reimburse the Government for the cost of rekeying that portion of the system.

4.3 NOTICE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF LABOR DISPUTES

The Contractor shall inform the COR of any actual or potential labor dispute that is delaying or threatening to delay the timely performance of this contract.

4.4 PERSONNEL SECURITY

4.4.1 After receipt of Notice of Award, the Contractor shall submit to the Contracting Officer the following requirements for the Government to conduct all necessary security checks: (1) list of workers and supervisors assigned to this project and (2) completed Canada Authority for Release of Information of each personnel using the form DS-7673 provided under Attachment 3.

4.5 PERSONAL HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

All employees must be in good general health without physical defects or abnormalities, which would interfere with the safe performance of their duties. They shall be free from communicable disease.

5. MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

The Contractor shall provide all necessary gardening supplies and equipment, including rakes, lawn mowers, hoe, pitchfork, pruning sheers, fertilizers to perform the work identified in Attachment A.

6. INSURANCE

6.1 AMOUNT OF INSURANCE. The Contractor is required to provide whatever insurance is legally necessary. The Contractor shall, at its own expense, provide and maintain during the entire performance period the following insurance amounts:

6.2 GENERAL LIABILITY (includes premises/operations, collapse hazard, products, completed operations, contractual, independent contractors, broad form property damage, personal injury)

1. Bodily Injury stated in Canadian Dollars:

Per Occurrence	\$1,000,000.00
Cumulative	\$1,000,000.00

2. Property Damage stated in US Dollars:

Per Occurrence	\$1,000,000.00
Cumulative	\$1,000,000.00

6.3 The types and amounts of insurance are the minimums required. The Contractor shall obtain any other types of insurance required by local law or that are ordinarily or customarily obtained in the location of the work. The limit of such insurance shall be as provided by law or sufficient to meet normal and customary claims.

6.4 For those Contractor employees assigned to this contract who are either United States citizens or direct hire in the United States or its possessions, the Contractor shall provide workers' compensation insurance in accordance with FAR 52.228-3.

6.5 The Contractor agrees that the Government shall not be responsible for personal injuries or for damages to:

- any property of the Contractor,
- its officers,
- agents,
- servants,
- employees, or
- any other person,
- arising from and incident to the Contractor's performance of this contract. The Contractor shall hold harmless and indemnify the Government from any and all claims arising, except in the instance of gross negligence on the part of the Government.

6.6 The Contractor shall obtain adequate insurance for damage to, or theft of, materials and equipment in insurance coverage for loose transit to the site or in storage on or off the site.

6.7 Government as Additional Insured. The general liability policy required of the Contractor shall name "the United States of America, acting by and through the Department of State," as an additional insured with respect to operations performed under this contract.

6.8 Time for Submission of Evidence of Insurance. The Contractor shall provide evidence of the insurance required under this contract within ten (10) days after contract award. The Government may rescind or terminate the contract if the Contractor fails to timely submit insurance certificates identified above.

7. LAWS AND REGULATIONS

7.1 Without additional expense to the Government, the Contractor shall comply with all laws, codes, ordinances, and regulations required to perform this work. If there is a conflict between the contract and requirements of local law, the Contractor shall promptly advise the Contracting Officer of the conflict and of the Contractor's proposed course of action for resolution by the Contracting Officer.

7.2 The Contractor shall comply with all local labor laws, regulations, customs and practices pertaining to labor, safety, and similar matters, unless they are inconsistent with the requirements of this contract.

8. TRANSITION PLAN

Within 10 calendar days after contract award, the Contracting Officer may ask the contractor to develop a plan for preparing the contractor to assume all responsibilities for gardening services. The plan shall establish the projected period for completion of all clearances of contractor personnel, and the projected start date for performance of all services required under this contract. The plan shall assign priority to the selection of all supervisors to be used under the contract.

9. (a) QUALITY ASSURANCE AND SURVEILLANCE PLAN (QASP). This plan is designed to provide an effective surveillance method to promote effective contractor performance. The QASP provides a method for the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) to monitor contractor performance, advise the contractor of unsatisfactory performance, and notify the Contracting Officer of continued unsatisfactory performance. The contractor, not the Government, is responsible for management and quality control to meet the terms of the contract. The role of the Government is to conduct quality assurance to ensure that contract standards are achieved.

Performance Objective	PWS Para	Performance Threshold
<u>Services.</u> Performs all gardening services set forth in the performance work statement (PWS)	1 thru 8.	All required services are performed and no more than one (1) customer complaint is received per month

(b) **SURVEILLANCE.** The COR will receive and document all complaints from Government personnel regarding the services provided. If appropriate, the COR will send the complaints to the Contractor for corrective action.

(c) **STANDARD.** The performance standard is that the Government receives no more than one (1) customer complaint per month. The COR shall notify the Contracting Officer of the complaints so that the Contracting Officer may take appropriate action to enforce the inspection clause (FAR 52.212-4, Contract Terms and Conditions-Commercial Items), if any of the services exceed the standard.

(d) **PROCEDURES.**

(1) If any Government personnel observe unacceptable services, either incomplete work or required services not being performed they should immediately contact the COR.

(2) The COR will complete appropriate documentation to record the complaint.

(3) The COR determines the complaint is invalid, the COR will advise the complainant. The COR will retain the annotated copy of the written complaint for his/her files.

(4) If the COR determines the complaint is valid, the COR will inform the Contractor and give the Contractor additional time to correct the defect, if additional time is available. The COR shall determine how much time is reasonable.

(5) The COR shall, as a minimum, orally notify the Contractor of any valid complaints.

(6) If the Contractor disagrees with the complaint after investigation of the site and challenges the validity of the complaint, the Contractor will notify the COR. The COR will review the matter to determine the validity of the complaint.

(7) The COR will consider complaints as resolved unless notified otherwise by the complainant.

(8) Repeat customer complaints are not permitted for any services. If a repeat customer complaint is received for the same deficiency during the service period, the COR will contact the Contracting Officer for appropriate action under the Inspection clause.

ATTACHMENT 1

Government Furnished Property

The Government shall provide water on site for the Contractor's use. The Contractor's hoses may access the water at the spigot on front of house by the garage doors and under the wet bar on the back deck.

ATTACHMENT 2

Contractor Furnished Materials

The Contractor shall provide all equipment, materials, supplies and clothing required to perform the standard and temporary additional services as specified in this contract. Such items include but are not limited to uniforms, personnel equipment, tools, cleaning supplies, equipment and any other operational or administrative items required for performance of the duties and requirements of this contract. The Contractor shall maintain sufficient parts and spare equipment for all Contractor-furnished materials to ensure uninterrupted service.

ATTACHMENT 3

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Canada Authority for Release of Information

SECTION 2 - CONTRACT CLAUSES

FAR 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS – COMMERCIAL ITEMS (FEB 2012), is incorporated by reference. (See SF-1449, block 27a).

1.1.1 52.212-5 Contract Terms and Conditions Required to Implement Statutes or Executive Orders—Commercial Items (May 2012)

(a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

(1) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Feb 2009) ([22 U.S.C. 7104\(g\)](#)).

___ Alternate I (Aug 2007) of 52.222-50 ([22 U.S.C. 7104\(g\)](#)).

(2) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (AUG 1996) ([31 U.S.C. 3553](#)).

(3) 52.233-4, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (OCT 2004) (Pub. L. 108-77, 108-78).

(b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

___ (1) 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (Sept 2006), with Alternate I (Oct 1995) ([41 U.S.C. 253g](#) and [10 U.S.C. 2402](#)).

___ (2) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Apr 2010) (Pub. L. 110-252, Title VI, Chapter 1 ([41 U.S.C. 251 note](#))).

___ (3) 52.203-15, Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (June 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5). (Applies to contracts funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.)

___ (4) 52.204-10, Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (Feb 2012) (Pub. L. 109-282) ([31 U.S.C. 6101 note](#)).

___ (5) 52.204-11, American Recovery and Reinvestment Act—Reporting Requirements (Jul 2010) (Pub. L. 111-5).

___ (6) 52.209-6, Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (Dec 2010) ([31 U.S.C. 6101 note](#)).

___ (7) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Feb 2012) ([41 U.S.C. 2313](#)).

___ (8) 52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (May 2012) (section 738 of Division C of Pub. L. 112-74, section 740 of Division C of Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Division D of Pub. L. 111-8, and section 745 of Division D of Pub. L. 110-161).

___ (9) 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (Nov 2011) ([15 U.S.C. 657a](#)).

- __ (10) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (JAN 2011) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) ([15 U.S.C. 657a](#)).
- __ (11) [Reserved]
- __ (12)(i) 52.219-6, Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2011) ([15 U.S.C. 644](#)).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (Nov 2011).
- __ (iii) Alternate II (Nov 2011).
- __ (13)(i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (June 2003) ([15 U.S.C. 644](#)).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (Oct 1995) of 52.219-7.
- __ (iii) Alternate II (Mar 2004) of 52.219-7.
- __ (14) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Jan 2011) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(2\)](#) and (3)).
- __ (15)(i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (Jan 2011) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(4\)](#)).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (Oct 2001) of 52.219-9.
- __ (iii) Alternate II (Oct 2001) of 52.219-9.
- __ (iv) Alternate III (Jul 2010) of 52.219-9.
- __ (16) 52.219-13, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (Nov 2011)([15 U.S.C. 644\(r\)](#)).
- __ (17) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (Nov 2011) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(a\)\(14\)](#)).
- __ (18) 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages—Subcon-tracting Plan (Jan 1999) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(4\)\(F\)\(i\)](#)).
- __ (19)(i) 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns (OCT 2008) ([10 U.S.C. 2323](#)) (if the offeror elects to waive the adjustment, it shall so indicate in its offer).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (June 2003) of 52.219-23.
- __ (20) 52.219-25, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program—Disadvantaged Status and Reporting (Dec 2010) (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and [10 U.S.C. 2323](#)).
- __ (21) 52.219-26, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program—Incentive Subcontracting (Oct 2000) (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and [10 U.S.C. 2323](#)).
- __ (22) 52.219-27, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2011) ([15 U.S.C. 657 f](#)).
- __ (23) 52.219-28, Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (Apr 2012) ([15 U.S.C. 632\(a\)\(2\)](#)).
- __ (24) 52.219-29, Notice of Set-Aside for Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business (EDWOSB) Concerns (Apr 2012) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(m\)](#)).
- __ (25) 52.219-30, Notice of Set-Aside for Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB) Concerns Eligible Under the WOSB Program (Apr 2012) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(m\)](#)).
- __ (26) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (June 2003) (E.O. 11755).
- __ (27) 52.222-19, Child Labor—Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (Mar 2012) (E.O. 13126).
- __ (28) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Feb 1999).
- __ (29) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).
- __ (30) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Sep 2010)([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).

- __ (31) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (Oct 2010) ([29 U.S.C. 793](#)).
- __ (32) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (SEP 2010) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- __ (33) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496).
- __ (34) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (JAN 2009). (Executive Order 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types of commercial items as prescribed in 22.1803.)
- __ (35)(i) 52.223-9, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA–Designated Items (May 2008) ([42 U.S.C. 6962\(c\)\(3\)\(A\)\(ii\)](#)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
- __ (ii) Alternate I (May 2008) of 52.223-9 ([42 U.S.C. 6962\(i\)\(2\)\(C\)](#)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
- __ (36) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (DEC 2007) ([42 U.S.C. 8259b](#)).
- __ (37)(i) 52.223-16, IEEE 1680 Standard for the Environmental Assessment of Personal Computer Products (DEC 2007) (E.O. 13423).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (DEC 2007) of 52.223-16.
- X (38) 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (AUG 2011) (E.O. 13513).
- __ (39) 52.225-1, Buy American Act—Supplies (Feb 2009) ([41 U.S.C. 10a-10d](#)).
- __ (40)(i) 52.225-3, Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act (May 2012) ([41 U.S.C. chapter 83](#), [19 U.S.C. 3301](#) note, [19 U.S.C. 2112](#) note, [19 U.S.C. 3805](#) note, [19 U.S.C. 4001](#) note, Pub. L. 103-182, 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-138, 112-41, and 112-42).
- __ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2012) of 52.225-3.
- __ (iii) Alternate II (Mar 2012) of 52.225-3.
- __ (iv) Alternate III (Mar 2012) of 52.225-3.
- __ (41) 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (MAY 2012) ([19 U.S.C. 2501](#), *et seq.*, [19 U.S.C. 3301](#) note).
- X (42) 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (June 2008) (E.O.’s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).
- __ (43) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) ([42 U.S.C. 5150](#)).
- __ (44) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov 2007) ([42 U.S.C. 5150](#)).
- __ (45) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Items (Feb 2002) ([41 U.S.C. 255\(f\)](#), [10 U.S.C. 2307\(f\)](#)).
- __ (46) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Items (Oct 1995) ([41 U.S.C. 255\(f\)](#), [10 U.S.C. 2307\(f\)](#)).
- __ (47) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Central Contractor Registration (Oct 2003) ([31 U.S.C. 3332](#)).

X (48) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other than Central Contractor Registration (May 1999) ([31 U.S.C. 3332](#)).

___ (49) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (Feb 2010) ([31 U.S.C. 3332](#)).

___ (50) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996) ([5 U.S.C. 552a](#)).

___ (51)(i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) ([46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241\(b\)](#) and [10 U.S.C. 2631](#)).

___ (ii) Alternate I (Apr 2003) of 52.247-64.

(c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

[*Contracting Officer check as appropriate.*]

___ (1) 52.222-41, Service Contract Act of 1965 (Nov 2007) ([41 U.S.C. 351](#), *et seq.*).

___ (2) 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (May 1989) ([29 U.S.C. 206](#) and [41 U.S.C. 351](#), *et seq.*).

___ (3) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act—Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (Sep 2009) ([29 U.S.C. 206](#) and [41 U.S.C. 351](#), *et seq.*).

___ (4) 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act—Price Adjustment (Sep 2009) ([29 U.S.C. 206](#) and [41 U.S.C. 351](#), *et seq.*).

___ (5) [52.222-51](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment—Requirements (Nov 2007) ([41 U.S.C. 351](#), *et seq.*).

___ (6) [52.222-53](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Certain Services—Requirements (Feb 2009) ([41 U.S.C. 351](#), *et seq.*).

___ (7) [52.226-6](#), Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Mar 2009) (Pub. L. 110-247).

___ (8) [52.237-11](#), Accepting and Dispensing of \$1 Coin (Sept 2008) ([31 U.S.C. 5112\(p\)\(1\)](#)).

(d) *Comptroller General Examination of Record*. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, and does not contain the clause at [52.215-2](#), Audit and Records—Negotiation.

(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.

(2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR [Subpart 4.7](#), Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

(3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(e)(1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in this paragraph (e)(1) in a subcontract for commercial items. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause—

(i) [52.203-13](#), Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Apr 2010) (Pub. L. 110-252, Title VI, Chapter 1 ([41 U.S.C. 251 note](#))).

(ii) [52.219-8](#), Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Dec 2010) ([15 U.S.C. 637\(d\)\(2\)](#) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds \$650,000 (\$1.5 million for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include [52.219-8](#) in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.

(iii) [Reserved]

(iv) [52.222-26](#), Equal Opportunity (Mar 2007) (E.O. 11246).

(v) [52.222-35](#), Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Sep 2010) ([38 U.S.C. 4212](#)).

(vi) [52.222-36](#), Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (Oct 2010) ([29 U.S.C. 793](#)).

(vii) [52.222-40](#), Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause [52.222-40](#).

(viii) [52.222-41](#), Service Contract Act of 1965 (Nov 2007) ([41 U.S.C. 351](#), *et seq.*).

(ix) [52.222-50](#), Combating Trafficking in Persons (Feb 2009) ([22 U.S.C. 7104\(g\)](#)).

___ Alternate I (Aug 2007) of [52.222-50](#) ([22 U.S.C. 7104\(g\)](#)).

(x) [52.222-51](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (Nov 2007) ([41 U.S.C. 351](#), *et seq.*).

(xi) [52.222-53](#), Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Act to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (Feb 2009) ([41 U.S.C. 351](#), *et seq.*).

(xii) [52.222-54](#), Employment Eligibility Verification (JAN 2009).

(xiii) [52.226-6](#), Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Mar 2009) (Pub. L. 110-247). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause [52.226-6](#).

(xiv) [52.247-64](#), Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) ([46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241\(b\)](#) and [10 U.S.C. 2631](#)). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause [52.247-64](#).

(2) While not required, the contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

(End of clause)

**ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT CLAUSES
FAR AND DOSAR CLAUSES NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12**

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:

<http://acquisition.gov/far/index.html> or, <http://farsite.hill.af.mil/search.htm>

These addresses are subject to change. If the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is not available at the locations indicated above, use the Dept. of State Acquisition Website at <http://www.statebuy.state.gov> to see the links to the FAR. You may also use an Internet "search engine" (e.g., Yahoo, Excite, Alta Vista, etc.) to obtain the latest location of the most current FAR.

THE FOLLOWING FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION CLAUSES ARE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE:

<u>CLAUSE</u>	<u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
52.204-9	Personal Identify Verification of Contractor Personnel (JAN 2011)
52.225-14	Inconsistency Between English Version and Translation of Contract (FEB 2000)
52.228-4	Workers' Compensation and War-Hazard Insurance Overseas APR 1984)
52.228-5	Insurance - Work on a Government Installation (JAN 1997)

THE FOLLOWING FAR CLAUSES ARE PROVIDED IN FULL TEXT:

52.216-18 ORDERING (OCT 1995)*

(a) Any supplies and services to be furnished under this contract shall be ordered by issuance of delivery orders or task orders by the individuals or activities designated in the Schedule. Such orders may be issued from date of award through base period or option periods if exercised.

(b) All delivery orders or task orders are subject to the terms and conditions of this contract. In the event of conflict between a delivery order or task order and this contract, the contract shall control.

(c) If mailed, a delivery order or task order is considered "issued" when the Government deposits the order in the mail. Orders may be issued orally, by facsimile, or by electronic commerce methods only if authorized in the Schedule.

52.216-19 ORDER LIMITATIONS. (OCT 1995)*

(a) Minimum order. When the Government requires supplies or services covered by this contract in an amount of less than 1 hour, the Government is not obligated to purchase, nor is the Contractor obligated to furnish, those supplies or services under the contract.

(b) Maximum order. The Contractor is not obligated to honor-

(1) Any order for a single item in excess of 80 hours;

(2) Any order for a combination of items in excess of 80 hours; or

(3) A series of orders from the same ordering office within 2 days that together call for quantities exceeding the limitation in subparagraph (1) or (2) above.

(c) If this is a requirements contract (i.e., includes the Requirement clause at subsection 52.216-21 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR)), the Government is not required to order a part of any one requirement from the Contractor if that requirement exceeds the maximum-order limitations in paragraph (b) above.

(d) Notwithstanding paragraphs (b) and (c) above, the Contractor shall honor any order exceeding the maximum order limitations in paragraph (b), unless that order (or orders) is returned to the ordering office within 3 days after issuance, with written notice stating the Contractor's intent not to ship the item (or items) called for and the reasons. Upon receiving this notice, the Government may acquire the supplies or services from another source.

52.216-22 INDEFINITE QUANTITY (OCT 1995)*

(a) This is an indefinite-quantity contract for the supplies or services specified, and effective for the period stated, in the Schedule. The quantities of supplies and services specified in the Schedule are estimates only and are not purchased by this contract.

(b) Delivery or performance shall be made only as authorized by orders issued in accordance with the Ordering clause. The Contractor shall furnish to the Government, when and if ordered, the supplies or services specified in the Schedule up to and including the quantity designated in the Schedule as the "maximum." The Government shall order at least the quantity of supplies or services designated in the Schedule as the "minimum."

(c) Except for any limitations on quantities in the Order Limitations clause or in the Schedule, there is no limit on the number of orders that may be issued. The Government may issue orders requiring delivery to multiple destinations or performance at multiple locations.

(d) Any order issued during the effective period of this contract and not completed within that period shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the order. The contract shall govern the Contractor's and Government's rights and obligations with respect to that order to the same extent as if the order were completed during the contract's effective period; *provided*, that the Contractor

shall not be required to make any deliveries under this contract after one year beyond the contract's effective period.

*Applies to temporary additional services.

52.217-8 OPTION TO EXTEND SERVICES (NOV 1999)

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within the performance period of the contract.

52.217-9 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT (MAR 2000)

(a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within the performance period of the contract or within 30 days after funds for the option year become available, whichever is later.

(b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.

(c) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed five (5) years.

52.232-19 AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR. (APR 1984)

Funds are not presently available for performance under this contract beyond September 30 of the current calendar year. The Government's obligation for performance of this contract beyond that date is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise for performance under this contract September 30 of the current calendar year, until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer for performance and until the Contractor receives notice of availability, to be confirmed in writing by the Contracting Officer.

THE FOLLOWING DOSAR CLAUSES ARE PROVIDED IN FULL TEXT:

652.204-70 DEPARTMENT OF STATE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION CARD ISSUANCE (MAY 2011)

(a) The Contractor shall comply with the Department of State (DOS) Personal Identification Card Issuance Procedures for all employees performing under this contract who require frequent and continuing access to DOS facilities, or information systems. The Contractor shall insert this clause in all subcontracts when the subcontractor's employees will require frequent and continuing access to DOS facilities, or information systems.

(b) The DOS Personal Identification Card Issuance Procedures may be accessed at <http://www.state.gov/m/ds/rls/rpt/c21664.htm> .

(End of clause)

CONTRACTOR IDENTIFICATION (JULY 2008)

Contract performance may require contractor personnel to attend meetings with government personnel and the public, work within government offices, and/or utilize government email.

Contractor personnel must take the following actions to identify themselves as non-federal employees:

- 1) Use an email signature block that shows name, the office being supported and company affiliation (e.g. “John Smith, Office of Human Resources, ACME Corporation Support Contractor”);
- 2) Clearly identify themselves and their contractor affiliation in meetings;
- 3) Identify their contractor affiliation in Departmental e-mail and phone listings whenever contractor personnel are included in those listings; and
- 4) Contractor personnel may not utilize Department of State logos or indicia on business cards.

652.232-70 PAYMENT SCHEDULE AND INVOICE SUBMISSION (FIXED-PRICE) (AUG 1999)

(a) General. The Government shall pay the contractor as full compensation for all work required, performed, and accepted under this contract the firm fixed-price stated in this contract.

(b) Invoice Submission. The contractor shall submit original invoices to the following address: U.S. Consulate General, 1973 Upper Water Street, Halifax, NS B3J 0A9. To constitute a proper invoice, the invoice shall include all the items required by FAR 32.905(e).

- 1) Name and address of the contractor.
- 2) Invoice date and invoice number.
- 3) Contract number.
- 4) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price of services performed.
- 5) Payment terms.
- 6) Name and address of contractor official to whom payment is to be sent.
- 7) Name, title, phone number and mailing address of person to notify in the event of a defective invoice.
- 8) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).
- 9) Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) banking information

The contractor shall show Value Added Tax (VAT) as a separate item on invoices submitted for payment.

(c) Contractor Remittance Address. The Government will make payment to the contractor’s address stated on the cover page of this contract, unless a separate remittance address is shown below:

652.237-72 OBSERVANCE OF LEGAL HOLIDAYS AND ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE (APR 2004)

(a) The Department of State observes the following days as holidays:

New Year's Day	Canada & US
Martin Luther King's Birthday	US
Washington's Birthday	US
Good Friday	Canada
Easter Monday	Canada
Victoria Day	Canada
Memorial Day	US
Quebec National Day (Quebec only)	Canada
Canada Day	Canada
Independence Day	US
Civic Day	Canada
Labor Day	Canada & US
Thanksgiving Day / Columbus Day	Canada & US
Remembrance Day / Veterans Day	Canada & US
Thanksgiving Day	US
Christmas Day	Canada & US
Boxing Day	Canada

Any other day designated by Federal law, Executive Order, or Presidential Proclamation.

(b) When any such day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the following Monday is observed. Observance of such days by Government personnel shall not be cause for additional period of performance or entitlement to compensation except as set forth in the contract. If the contractor's personnel work on a holiday, no form of holiday or other premium compensation will be reimbursed either as a direct or indirect cost, unless authorized pursuant to an overtime clause elsewhere in this contract.

652.242-70 CONTRACTING OFFICER'S REPRESENTATIVE (COR) (AUG 1999)

(a) The Contracting Officer may designate in writing one or more Government employees, by name or position title, to take action for the Contracting Officer under this contract. Each designee shall be identified as a Contracting Officer's Representative (COR). Such designation(s) shall specify the scope and limitations of the authority so delegated; provided, that the designee shall not change the terms or conditions of the contract, unless the COR is a warranted Contracting Officer and this authority is delegated in the designation.

(b) The COR for this contract is the Administrative Assistant.

652.242-73 AUTHORIZATION AND PERFORMANCE (AUG 1999)

(a) The contractor warrants the following:

(1) That it has obtained authorization to operate and do business in the country or countries in which this contract will be performed;

(2) That it has obtained all necessary licenses and permits required to perform this contract; and,

(3) That it shall comply fully with all laws, decrees, labor standards, and regulations of said country or countries during the performance of this contract.

(b) If the party actually performing the work will be a subcontractor or joint venture partner, then such subcontractor or joint venture partner agrees to the requirements of paragraph (a) of this clause.

SECTION 3 – SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

FAR 52.212-1, Instructions to Offerors -- Commercial Items (FEB 2012) is incorporated by reference. (See SF-1449, block 27a).

ADDENDUM TO 52.212-1

A. SUMMARY OF INSTRUCTIONS. Each offer must consist of the following:

A.1. A completed solicitation, in which the SF-1449 cover page (blocks 12, 17, 19-24, and 30 as appropriate), and Section 1 has been filled out.

A.2. Information demonstrating the offeror's/quoter's ability to perform, including:

(1) Name of a Project Manager (or other liaison to the Embassy/Consulate) who understands written and spoken English;

(2) Evidence that the offeror/quoter operates an established business with a permanent address and telephone listing;

(3) List of clients, demonstrating prior experience with relevant past performance information and references for similar scope and magnitude of work to include the following information:

(a) customer's name, address and telephone numbers of customer's lead contract and technical personnel;

(b) contract number and type, if any. If none, indicate as "None".

(c) date of contract award, place(s) of performance, completion dates and contract value; and

(d) brief description of work, including responsibilities

(4) Evidence that the offeror/quoter can provide the necessary personnel, equipment, and financial resources needed to perform the work to include list of personnel showing qualification and experience required to perform the work and list of equipment including description, quantity and condition to be used under the contract;

(5) Evidence that the offeror/quoter has all licenses and permits required by local law to include but not limited to such as business permit and WSIB certificate (see DOSAR 652.242-73 in Section 2).

(6) Annual Grounds Maintenance Plan showing proposed frequency for meeting the requirements of this contract. The Grounds Maintenance Plan will be developed to fit the requirements of local conditions, types of vegetation and climate factors.

(7) Breakdown of prices each for gardening and snow removal services.

(8) A copy of the Certificate of Insurance, or a statement that the contractor will get the required insurance, and the name of the insurance provider to be used.

**ADDENDUM TO SOLICITATION PROVISIONS
FAR AND DOSAR PROVISIONS NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12**

52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions 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:

<http://acquisition.gov/far/index.html/> or <http://farsite.hill.af.mil/search.htm>

These addresses are subject to change. IF the FAR is not available at the locations indicated above, use of an Internet "search engine" (e.g., Yahoo, Infoseek, Alta Vista, etc.) is suggested to obtain the latest location of the most current FAR provisions.

THE FOLLOWING FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION SOLICITATION PROVISIONS ARE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE:

<u>CLAUSE</u>	<u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
52.204-6	Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number (OCT 2003)
52.214-34	Submission of Offers in the English Language (APR 1991)
52.237-1	Site Visit (APR 1984)

The site visit will be held on January 4, 2012, 10:00 A.M. Site visit will take place at 6635 Norwood Street, Halifax and will proceed to 1973 Upper Water Street, Halifax, thereafter. Prospective

offerors/quoters should contact Ethel Clarke at 902-442-2077 for additional information or to arrange entry to the building.

THE FOLLOWING DOSAR PROVISIONS ARE PROVIDED IN FULL TEXT:

652.206-70 COMPETITION ADVOCATE/OMBUDSMAN (AUG 1999) (DEVIATION)

- (a) The Department of State's Competition Advocate is responsible for assisting industry in removing restrictive requirements from Department of State solicitations and removing barriers to full and open competition and use of commercial items. If such a solicitation is considered competitively restrictive or does not appear properly conducive to competition and commercial practices, potential offerors are encouraged to first contact the contracting office for the respective solicitation. If concerns remain unresolved, contact the Department of State Competition Advocate on (703) 516-1693, by fax at (703) 875-6155, or write to: U.S. Department of State, Competition Advocate, Office of the Procurement Executive (A/OPE), Suite 900, SA-27, Washington, DC 20522-2712.
- (b) The Department of State's Acquisition Ombudsman has been appointed to hear concerns from potential offerors and contractors during the pre-award and post-award phases of this acquisition. The role of the ombudsman is not to diminish the authority of the contracting officer, the Technical Evaluation Panel or Source Evaluation Board, or the selection official. The purpose of the ombudsman is to facilitate the communication of concerns, issues, disagreements, and recommendations of interested parties to the appropriate Government personnel, and work to resolve them. When requested and appropriate, the ombudsman will maintain strict confidentiality as to the source of the concern. The ombudsman does not participate in the evaluation of proposals, the source selection process, or the adjudication of formal contract disputes. Interested parties are invited to contact the contracting activity ombudsman, Paul Yeskoo at 613-688-5250. For an American Embassy or overseas post, refer to the numbers below for the Department Acquisition Ombudsman. Concerns, issues, disagreements, and recommendations which cannot be resolved at a contracting activity level may be referred to the Department of State Acquisition Ombudsman at (703) 516-1693, by fax at (703) 875-6155, or write to: Department of State, Acquisition Ombudsman, Office of the Procurement Executive (A/OPE), Suite 900, SA-27, Washington, DC 20522-2712.

Acquisition Method: The Government is conducting this acquisition using the simplified acquisition procedures in Part 13 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). If the dollar amount exceeds the simplified acquisition threshold, then the Government will be using the test program for commercial items authorized by Subpart 13.5 of the FAR.

SECTION 4 - EVALUATION FACTORS

The Government intends to award a contract/purchase order resulting from this solicitation to the lowest priced, technically acceptable offeror/quoter who is a responsible contractor. The evaluation process shall include the following:

- (a) **COMPLIANCE REVIEW.** The Government will perform an initial review of proposals/quotations received to determine compliance with the terms of the solicitation. The Government may reject as unacceptable proposals/quotations that do not conform to the solicitation.

(b) TECHNICAL ACCEPTABILITY. Technical acceptability will include a review of past performance and experience as defined in Section 3, along with any technical information provided by the offeror with its proposal/quotation.

(c) PRICE EVALUATION. The lowest price will be determined by multiplying the offered prices times the estimated quantities in “Prices - Continuation of SF-1449, block 23”, and arriving at a grand total, including all options. The Government reserves the right to reject proposals that are unreasonably low or high in price.

(d) RESPONSIBILITY DETERMINATION. The Government will determine contractor responsibility by analyzing whether the apparent successful offeror complies with the requirements of FAR 9.1, including:

- Adequate financial resources or the ability to obtain them;
- Ability to comply with the required performance period, taking into consideration all existing commercial and governmental business commitments;
- Satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- Necessary organization, experience, and skills or the ability to obtain them;
- Necessary equipment and facilities or the ability to obtain them; and
- Otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.

ADDENDUM TO EVALUATION FACTORS
FAR AND DOSAR PROVISION(S) NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12

THE FOLLOWING FAR PROVISIONS ARE PROVIDED IN FULL TEXT:

52.217-5 EVALUATION OF OPTIONS (JUL 1990)

The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. Evaluation of options will not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

SECTION 5 - REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

1.1.2 52.212-3 Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items (APR 2012).

An offeror shall complete only paragraph (b) of this provision if the offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via <https://www.acquisition.gov>. If an offeror has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically at the ORCA website, the offeror shall complete only paragraphs (c) through (o) of this provision.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

“Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern” means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States and who are economically disadvantaged in accordance with 13 CFR part 127. It automatically qualifies as a women-owned small business eligible under the WOSB Program.

“Forced or indentured child labor” means all work or service—

- (1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not offer himself voluntarily; or
- (2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process or penalties.

“Inverted domestic corporation”, as used in this section, means a foreign incorporated entity which is treated as an inverted domestic corporation under [6 U.S.C. 395\(b\)](#), *i.e.*, a corporation that used to be incorporated in the United States, or used to be a partnership in the United States, but now is incorporated in a foreign country, or is a subsidiary whose parent corporation is incorporated in a foreign country, that meets the criteria specified in [6 U.S.C. 395\(b\)](#), applied in accordance with the rules and definitions of [6 U.S.C. 395\(c\)](#). An inverted domestic corporation as herein defined does not meet the definition of an inverted domestic corporation as defined by the Internal Revenue Code at [26 U.S.C. 7874](#).

“Manufactured end product” means any end product in Federal Supply Classes (FSC) 1000-9999, except—

- (1) FSC 5510, Lumber and Related Basic Wood Materials;
- (2) Federal Supply Group (FSG) 87, Agricultural Supplies;
- (3) FSG 88, Live Animals;
- (4) FSG 89, Food and Related Consumables;
- (5) FSC 9410, Crude Grades of Plant Materials;
- (6) FSC 9430, Miscellaneous Crude Animal Products, Inedible;
- (7) FSC 9440, Miscellaneous Crude Agricultural and Forestry Products;
- (8) FSC 9610, Ores;
- (9) FSC 9620, Minerals, Natural and Synthetic; and
- (10) FSC 9630, Additive Metal Materials.

“Place of manufacture” means the place where an end product is assembled out of components, or otherwise made or processed from raw materials into the finished product that is to be provided to the

Government. If a product is disassembled and reassembled, the place of reassembly is not the place of manufacture.

“Restricted business operations” means business operations in Sudan that include power production activities, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or the production of military equipment, as those terms are defined in the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174). Restricted business operations do not include business operations that the person (as that term is defined in Section 2 of the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007) conducting the business can demonstrate—

(1) Are conducted under contract directly and exclusively with the regional government of southern Sudan;

(2) Are conducted pursuant to specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the Department of the Treasury, or are expressly exempted under Federal law from the requirement to be conducted under such authorization;

(3) Consist of providing goods or services to marginalized populations of Sudan;

(4) Consist of providing goods or services to an internationally recognized peacekeeping force or humanitarian organization;

(5) Consist of providing goods or services that are used only to promote health or education; or

(6) Have been voluntarily suspended.

“Sensitive technology”—

(1) Means hardware, software, telecommunications equipment, or any other technology that is to be used specifically—

(i) To restrict the free flow of unbiased information in Iran; or

(ii) To disrupt, monitor, or otherwise restrict speech of the people of Iran; and

(2) Does not include information or informational materials the export of which the President does not have the authority to regulate or prohibit pursuant to section 203(b)(3) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act ([50 U.S.C. 1702\(b\)\(3\)](#)).

“Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern”—

(1) Means a small business concern—

(i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and

(ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.

(2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in [38 U.S.C. 101\(2\)](#), with a disability that is service-connected, as defined in [38 U.S.C. 101\(16\)](#).

“Small business concern” means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR Part 121 and size standards in this solicitation.

“Subsidiary” means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned—

- (1) Directly by a parent corporation; or
- (2) Through another subsidiary of a parent corporation.

“Veteran-owned small business concern” means a small business concern—

(1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at [38 U.S.C. 101\(2\)](#)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and

(2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

“Women-owned business concern” means a concern which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its stock is owned by one or more women; and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

“Women-owned small business concern” means a small business concern—

(1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and

(2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

“Women-owned small business (WOSB) concern eligible under the WOSB Program” (in accordance with 13 CFR part 127), means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States.

(b)

(1) *Annual Representations and Certifications.* Any changes provided by the offeror in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications posted on the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA) website.

(2) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the ORCA website accessed through <https://www.acquisition.gov>. After reviewing the ORCA database information, the offeror verifies by submission of this offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically at FAR 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items, have been entered or updated in 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 paragraphs _____.

[Offeror to identify the applicable paragraphs at (c) through (o) of this provision that the offeror has completed for the purposes of this solicitation only, if any.

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.

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 electronically on ORCA.]

(c) Offerors must complete the following representations when the resulting contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas. Check all that apply.

(1) *Small business concern.* The offeror represents as part of its offer that it o is, o is not a small business concern.

(2) *Veteran-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it o is, o is not a veteran-owned small business concern.

(3) *Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a veteran-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(2) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it o is, o is not a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.

(4) *Small disadvantaged business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, for general statistical purposes, that it o is, o is not a small disadvantaged business concern as defined in 13 CFR 124.1002.

(5) *Women-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it o is, o is not a women-owned small business concern.

(6) *WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a women-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(5) of this provision.] The offeror represents that—

(i) It o is, o is not a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and

(ii) It o is, o is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(6)(i) of this provision is accurate for each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: _____.] Each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the WOSB representation.

(7) *Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program in (c)(6) of this provision.] The offeror represents that—

(i) It o is, o is not an EDWOSB concern, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and

(ii) It o is, o is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(7)(i) of this provision is accurate for each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the EDWOSB concern and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: _____.] Each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the EDWOSB representation.

Note: Complete paragraphs (c)(8) and (c)(9) only if this solicitation is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

(8) *Women-owned business concern (other than small business concern).* [Complete only if the offeror is a women-owned business concern and did not represent itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it o is a women-owned business concern.

(9) *Tie bid priority for labor surplus area concerns.* If this is an invitation for bid, small business offerors may identify the labor surplus areas in which costs to be incurred on account of manufacturing or production (by offeror or first-tier subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contract price: _____

(10) [Complete only if the solicitation contains the clause at FAR [52.219-23](#), *Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns*, or FAR [52.219-25](#), *Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program—Disadvantaged Status and Reporting*, and the offeror desires a benefit based on its disadvantaged status.]

(i) *General.* The offeror represents that either—

(A) It o is, o is not certified by the Small Business Administration as a small disadvantaged business concern and identified, on the date of this representation, as a certified small disadvantaged business concern in the CCR Dynamic Small Business Search database maintained by the Small Business Administration, and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its certification, and, where the concern is owned by one or more individuals claiming disadvantaged status, the net worth of each individual upon whom the certification is based does not exceed \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); or

(B) It o has, o has not submitted a completed application to the Small Business Administration or a Private Certifier to be certified as a small disadvantaged business concern in accordance with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B, and a decision on that application is pending, and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its application was submitted.

(ii) *Joint Ventures under the Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns.* The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that it is a joint venture that complies with the requirements in 13 CFR 124.1002(f) and that the representation in paragraph (c)(10)(i) of this provision is accurate for the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name of the small disadvantaged business concern that is participating in the joint venture: _____.]

(11) *HUBZone small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that—

(i) It o is, o is not a HUBZone small business concern listed, on the date of this representation, on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration, and no material changes in ownership and control, principal office, or HUBZone employee percentage have occurred since it was certified in accordance with 13 CFR Part 126; and

(ii) It o is, o is not a HUBZone joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR Part 126, and the representation in paragraph (c)(11)(i) of this provision is accurate for each HUBZone small business concern participating in the HUBZone joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the names of each of the HUBZone small business concerns participating in the HUBZone joint venture: _____.] Each

HUBZone small business concern participating in the HUBZone joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the HUBZone representation.

(d) Representations required to implement provisions of Executive Order 11246—

(1) Previous contracts and compliance. The offeror represents that—

(i) It o has, o has not participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this solicitation; and

(ii) It o has, o has not filed all required compliance reports.

(2) *Affirmative Action Compliance*. The offeror represents that—

(i) It o has developed and has on file, o has not developed and does not have on file, at each establishment, affirmative action programs required by rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 cfr parts 60-1 and 60-2), or

(ii) It o has not previously had contracts subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor.

(e) *Certification Regarding Payments to Influence Federal Transactions* (31 U.S.C. 1352). (Applies only if the contract is expected to exceed \$150,000.) By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the award of any resultant contract. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contact on behalf of the offeror with respect to this contract, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its offer, OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to provide the name of the registrants. The offeror need not report regularly employed officers or employees of the offeror to whom payments of reasonable compensation were made.

(f) *Buy American Act Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) [52.225-1](#), Buy American Act—Supplies, is included in this solicitation.)

(1) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that for other than COTS items, the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The offeror shall list as foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, *i.e.*, an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (2) of the definition of “domestic end product.” The terms “commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item” “component,” “domestic end product,” “end product,” “foreign end product,” and “United States” are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American Act—Supplies.”

(2) Foreign End Products:

Line Item No. Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(3) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR [Part 25](#).

(g)(1) *Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at FAR [52.225-3](#), Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act, is included in this solicitation.)

(i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (g)(1)(iii) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that for other than COTS items, the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The terms “Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, or Peruvian end product,” “commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item,” “component,” “domestic end product,” “end product,” “foreign end product,” “Free Trade Agreement country,” “Free Trade Agreement country end product,” “Israeli end product,” and “United States” are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act.”

(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act”:

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No. Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(iii) The offeror shall list those supplies that are foreign end products (other than those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of this provision) as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act.” The offeror shall list as other foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, *i.e.*, an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (2) of the definition of “domestic end product.”

Other Foreign End Products:

Line Item No. Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(iv) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR [Part 25](#).

(2) *Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate I.* If Alternate I to the clause at FAR [52.225-3](#) is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act”:

Canadian End Products:

Line Item No.

[List as necessary]

(3) *Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate II.* If Alternate II to the clause at FAR [52.225-3](#) is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act”:

Canadian or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No. Country of Origin

[List as necessary]

(4) *Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate III.* If Alternate III to the clause at [52.225-3](#) is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American Act-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act”:

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No. Country of Origin

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

[List as necessary]

(5) *Trade Agreements Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at FAR [52.225-5](#), Trade Agreements, is included in this solicitation.)

(i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(5)(ii) of this provision, is a U.S.-made or designated country end product, as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Trade Agreements.”

(ii) The offeror shall list as other end products those end products that are not U.S.-made or designated country end products.

Other End Products:

Line Item No. Country of Origin

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

[List as necessary]

(iii) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR [Part 25](#). For line items covered by the WTO GPA, the Government will evaluate offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American Act. The Government will consider for award only offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products unless the Contracting Officer determines that there are no offers for such products or that the offers for such products are insufficient to fulfill the requirements of the solicitation.

(h) *Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters (Executive Order 12689)*. (Applies only if the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.) The offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror and/or any of its principals—

(1) o Are, o are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency;

(2) o Have, o have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a Federal, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, violating Federal criminal tax laws, or receiving stolen property;

(3) o Are, o are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses enumerated in paragraph (h)(2) of this clause; and

(4) o Have, o have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been notified of any delinquent Federal taxes in an amount that exceeds \$3,000 for which the liability remains unsatisfied.

(i) Taxes are considered delinquent if both of the following criteria apply:

(A) *The tax liability is finally determined.* The liability is finally determined if it has been assessed. A liability is not finally determined if there is a pending administrative or judicial challenge. In the case of a judicial challenge to the liability, the liability is not finally determined until all judicial appeal rights have been exhausted.

(B) *The taxpayer is delinquent in making payment.* A taxpayer is delinquent if the taxpayer has failed to pay the tax liability when full payment was due and required. A taxpayer is not delinquent in cases where enforced collection action is precluded.

(ii) *Examples.*

(A) The taxpayer has received a statutory notice of deficiency, under I.R.C. §6212, which entitles the taxpayer to seek Tax Court review of a proposed tax deficiency. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek Tax Court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

(B) The IRS has filed a notice of Federal tax lien with respect to an assessed tax liability, and the taxpayer has been issued a notice under I.R.C. §6320 entitling the taxpayer to request a hearing with the IRS Office of Appeals contesting the lien filing, and to further appeal to the Tax Court if the IRS determines to sustain the lien filing. In the course of the hearing, the taxpayer is entitled to contest the underlying tax liability because the taxpayer has had no prior opportunity to contest the liability. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek tax court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.

(C) The taxpayer has entered into an installment agreement pursuant to I.R.C. §6159. The taxpayer is making timely payments and is in full compliance with the agreement terms. The taxpayer is not delinquent because the taxpayer is not currently required to make full payment.

(D) The taxpayer has filed for bankruptcy protection. The taxpayer is not delinquent because enforced collection action is stayed under 11 U.S.C. §362 (the Bankruptcy Code).

(i) Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for *Listed End Products (Executive Order 13126)*. [The Contracting Officer must list in paragraph (i)(1) any end products being acquired under this solicitation that are included in the List of Products Requiring Contractor Certification as to Forced or Indentured Child Labor, unless excluded at [22.1503\(b\)](#).]

(1) *Listed end products.*

Listed End Product Listed Countries of Origin

(2) *Certification.* [If the Contracting Officer has identified end products and countries of origin in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision, then the offeror must certify to either (i)(2)(i) or (i)(2)(ii) by checking the appropriate block.]

(i) The offeror will not supply any end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product.

(ii) The offeror may supply an end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product. The offeror certifies that it has made a good faith effort to determine whether forced or indentured child labor was used to mine, produce, or manufacture any such end product furnished under this contract. On the basis of those efforts, the offeror certifies that it is not aware of any such use of child labor.

(j) *Place of manufacture.* (Does not apply unless the solicitation is predominantly for the acquisition of manufactured end products.) For statistical purposes only, the offeror shall indicate whether the place of manufacture of the end products it expects to provide in response to this solicitation is predominantly—

(1) In the United States (Check this box if the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured in the United States exceeds the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured outside the United States); or

(2) Outside the United States.

(k) *Certificates regarding exemptions from the application of the Service Contract Act.* (Certification by the offeror as to its compliance with respect to the contract also constitutes its certification as to compliance by its subcontractor if it subcontracts out the exempt services.) [The contracting officer is to check a box to indicate if paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) applies.]

(1) Maintenance, calibration, or repair of certain equipment as described in FAR [22.1003-4\(c\)\(1\)](#). The offeror does does not certify that—

(i) The items of equipment to be serviced under this contract are used regularly for other than Governmental purposes and are sold or traded by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) in substantial quantities to the general public in the course of normal business operations;

(ii) The services will be furnished at prices which are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR [22.1003-4\(c\)\(2\)\(ii\)](#)) for the maintenance, calibration, or repair of such equipment; and

(iii) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract will be the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing the same equipment of commercial customers.

(2) Certain services as described in FAR [22.1003-4\(d\)\(1\)](#). The offeror does does not certify that—

(i) The services under the contract are offered and sold regularly to non-Governmental customers, and are provided by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) to the general public in substantial quantities in the course of normal business operations;

(ii) The contract services will be furnished at prices that are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR [22.1003-4\(d\)\(2\)\(iii\)](#));

(iii) Each service employee who will perform the services under the contract will spend only a small portion of his or her time (a monthly average of less than 20 percent of the available hours on an annualized basis, or less than 20 percent of available hours during the contract period if the contract period is less than a month) servicing the Government contract; and

(iv) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract is the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing commercial customers.

(3) If paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause applies—

(i) If the offeror does not certify to the conditions in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) and the Contracting Officer did not attach a Service Contract Act wage determination to the solicitation, the offeror shall notify the Contracting Officer as soon as possible; and

(ii) The Contracting Officer may not make an award to the offeror if the offeror fails to execute the certification in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause or to contact the Contracting Officer as required in paragraph (k)(3)(i) of this clause.

(l) *Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)* ([26 U.S.C. 6109](#), [31 U.S.C. 7701](#)). (Not applicable if the offeror is required to provide this information to a central contractor registration database to be eligible for award.)

(1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (l)(3) through (l)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of [31 U.S.C. 7701\(c\)](#) and [3325\(d\)](#), reporting requirements of [26 U.S.C. 6041](#), [6041A](#), and [6050M](#), and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

(2) The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government ([31 U.S.C. 7701\(c\)\(3\)](#)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR [4.904](#), the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

(3) *Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)*.

- o TIN: _____.
- o TIN has been applied for.
- o TIN is not required because:
 - o Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;
 - o Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;
 - o Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.

(4) *Type of organization*.

- o Sole proprietorship;
- o Partnership;
- o Corporate entity (not tax-exempt);
- o Corporate entity (tax-exempt);
- o Government entity (Federal, State, or local);
- o Foreign government;
- o International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4;
- o Other _____.

(5) *Common parent.*

- o Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent;
- o Name and TIN of common parent:
 Name _____.
 TIN _____.

(m) *Restricted business operations in Sudan.* By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror does not conduct any restricted business operations in Sudan.

(n) *Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations.*

(1) *Relation to Internal Revenue Code.* An inverted domestic corporation as herein defined does not meet the definition of an inverted domestic corporation as defined by the Internal Revenue Code [25 U.S.C. 7874](#).

(2) *Representation.* By submission of its offer, the offeror represents that—

- (i) It is not an inverted domestic corporation; and
- (ii) It is not a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation.

(o) *Sanctioned activities relating to Iran.*

(1) The offeror shall e-mail questions concerning sensitive technology to the Department of State at CISADA106@state.gov.

(2) *Representation and Certification.* Unless a waiver is granted or an exception applies as provided in paragraph (o)(3) of this provision, by submission of its offer, the offeror—

- (i) Represents, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror does not export any sensitive technology to the government of Iran or any entities or individuals owned or controlled by, or acting on behalf or at the direction of, the government of Iran; and
- (ii) Certifies that the offeror, or any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not engage in any activities for which sanctions may be imposed under section 5 of the Iran Sanctions Act.

(3) The representation and certification requirements of paragraph (o)(2) of this provision do not apply if—

- (i) This solicitation includes a trade agreements certification (*e.g.*, [52.212-3\(g\)](#) or a comparable agency provision); and
- (ii) The offeror has certified that all the offered products to be supplied are designated country end products.

(End of provision)

ADDENDUM TO OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS
FAR AND DOSAR PROVISION(S) NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12

652.228-70 DEFENSE BASE ACT – COVERED CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES (JUN 2006)

(a) Bidders/offerors shall indicate below whether or not any of the following categories of employees will be employed on the resultant contract, and, if so, the number of such employees:

Category	Yes/No	Number
(1) United States citizens or residents		
(2) Individuals hired in the United States, regardless of citizenship		
(3) Local nationals or third country nationals where contract performance takes place in a country where there are no local workers' compensation laws		Local nationals: _____ Third Country Nationals: _____
(4) Local nationals or third country nationals where contract performance takes place in a country where there are local workers' compensation laws		Local nationals: _____ Third Country Nationals: _____

(b) The contracting officer has determined that for performance in the country of Canada.

- Workers' compensation laws exist that will cover local nationals and third country nationals.
- Workers' compensation laws do not exist that will cover local nationals and third country nationals.

(c) If the bidder/offeror has indicated "yes" in block (a)(4) of this provision, the bidder/offeror shall not purchase Defense Base Act insurance for those employees. However, the bidder/offeror shall assume liability toward the employees and their beneficiaries for war-hazard injury, death, capture, or detention, in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.228-4.

(d) If the bidder/offeror has indicated "yes" in blocks (a)(1), (2), or (3) of this provision, the bidder/offeror shall compute Defense Base Act insurance costs covering those employees pursuant to the terms of the contract between the Department of State and the Department's Defense Base Act insurance carrier at the rates specified in DOSAR 652.228-74, Defense Base Act Insurance Rates – Limitation. If DOSAR provision 652.228-74 is not included in this solicitation, the bidder/offeror shall notify the contracting officer before the closing date so that the solicitation can be amended accordingly.