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Savannah River Site Liquid Waste

Request For Information & Capability Statement Submission

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SAVANNAH RIVER SITE LIQUID WASTE

- The purpose of this RFI is to solicit input via capability statements from interested parties with the specialized capabilities necessary to perform the major Elements of Scope for the SRS liquid waste requirement.
- Seeking feedback from contractors and other interested parties regarding options for innovative approaches for the performance of the major Elements of Scope as well as insight into potential contracting alternatives. This market research will assist DOE with identifying interested and capable sources and developing its acquisition strategy.
- Key market research goals include identifying and minimizing barriers to competition, evaluating small business capabilities, identifying risks, identifying potential requirements definition and contract alternatives, and identifying appropriate terms and conditions.

CAPABILITY STATEMENT SUBMISSIONS

- All interested parties are invited to submit a capability statement of no more than 15 pages, and no smaller than 12 point font.
- Electronic file submissions must be less than 20 Megabytes.
- The Government will evaluate each capability statement based on the interested party's demonstrated qualifications, capabilities, expertise, experience, and past performance in each of the areas of expertise.

Capability Statements should include the following information as appropriate and applicable to the ten (10) questions asked in the Request for Information:

- 1.) Describe your ability and experience performing the major Elements of Scope identified above. Identify all DOE, other Government, or other commercial experience relevant to this sources sought (include contract number, role in the effort (i.e., prime contractor or subcontractor), date, scope, duration, client, and contracting agency contact).
- 2.) Identify any performance challenges and risks in meeting the requirements discussed in the major Elements of Scope. Identify how your organization would minimize any risks such that there is reasonable assurance of successful performance.

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3.) Discuss your company and/or teaming arrangement's experience in management and integrating the major Elements of Scope under a single contact. Also describe your experience in managing and integrating the work of subcontractors who would perform specialty functions. Further, provide input regarding ways to identify meaningful work to be accomplished by small businesses.

4.) Describe your experience in a complex regulatory environment in respect to problem-solving, working with various stakeholders, Citizens Advisory Boards, and regulatory agencies at the state and federal level.

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5.) This work will be conducted throughout multiple complexes and facilities within SRS and will require interfaces with multiple other site contractors. Discuss your experience regarding such interfaces.

6.) Discuss your experience in implementation of environmental, safety and health plans related to your (and any teaming partners) work on DOE sites with large industrial and nuclear facilities. This discussion should address your approach to addressing requirements under 10 CFR 830 and 10 CFR 835 related to Nuclear Safety, Quality, and Occupational Radiological Protection; 10 CFR 851 Worker Safety and Health; Work Control Program, DOE Order 414 and Integrated Safety Management System (ISMS).

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7.) Discuss your project management/project control system you would utilize for the scope of work. Please be prepared to provide information on the project control system you currently utilize for your company and how it will be tailored for this effort.

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8.) It is anticipated the prospective contractor(s) will be required to participate in the multi-employer pension and welfare benefits plans for the existing workforce covered by such plans while performing the requirements of the anticipated contract. Please describe your experience in establishing and managing a multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. Additionally, please briefly describe your approach to establishing and maintaining a complicated pension and welfare (including Pension, Post-Retirement Benefits and severance) benefit plans as well as your ability to obtain the expertise to establish and manage such plans. Your approach should include how it has or will obtain access to expertise regarding compliance with Internal Revenue Service qualification requirements for multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans.

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9.) DOE anticipates that portions of the major Elements of Scope may be fixed price. Please provide input on which major Elements of Scope could be fixed price and identify the information required from DOE to support development of a fixed price proposal for each major Element of Scope.

10.) Provide input and rationale to DOE on the optimal base period of performance for the prospective procurement. Highlight any factors that would make competing for these contracts desirable or undesirable for your firm, including input on proposal evaluation criteria. Discuss any issues the Contracting Officer should consider when developing the solicitation for this requirement.

- The DOE EM Consolidated Business Center (CBC) created a procurement website where additional information will be provided which may be viewed here:

<https://www.emcbc.doe.gov/SEB/SRSLiquidWaste/>

- Please monitor the website as updates will continue to be posted throughout the procurement.

Contacts and Due Dates

- All questions/comments pertaining to this announcement should be directed to the procurement mailbox at SRSLiquidWaste@emcbc.doe.gov.
- DOE may answer questions related to this RFI depending on the nature and timing of the question(s). Questions & Answers will not be formally posted to the EMCBC procurement website pertaining to this RFI. DOE will consider comments from this process as part of the acquisition planning effort for the procurement.
- All capability statements shall be submitted electronically to the above email address no later than October 21, 2015.

DOE's Contractual Vision

- Consider all applicable contracting & procurement strategies.
- Align contract type(s), period of performance, and incentives with effective scope completion.
- Consider targeted Performance Based Incentives (PBI's) that align with mission requirements and regulatory milestones.
- Optimize work scope performance via the make vs. buy process for any Section J services from the M&O (GFS&I matrix to be provided with the Draft RFP for industry comment).
- Solicitation and proposal alignment between PWS, WBS, and cost proposal to allow for efficient establishment of an initial contractor baseline after award.
- Incentivize operational efficiencies, technology improvements, and new approaches to doing business to meet mission requirements.
- Focus on completion of activities!