

National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Dryden Flight Research Center
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JUSTIFICATION FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION
10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(1)

JOFOC NO. FY13-06

1. **This document is justification for other than full and open competition prepared by NASA's Dryden Flight Research Center (NASA DFRC).**
2. **The nature and/or description of the action being approved:** Increase the contract support positions and maximum contract value of the Safety, Health and Environmental Support Services at NASA DFRC.
3. **Description of the supplies or services required, including an estimated value:** The addition of two positions, a Senior Level Safety Specialist (Responder) and a Senior Level Hygienist, to provide support at the Dryden Aircraft Operations Facility for Option Periods 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28 and to increase the maximum contract value to incorporate the addition of these positions, beginning May 1, 2013. The estimated value for this action is approximately \$172,000, should all options be exercised.
4. **Statutory authority permitting other than full and open competition:** FAR 6.302-1, Only One Responsible Source, 10 U.S.C.2304(c)(1).
5. **A demonstration that the proposed contractor's unique qualifications or the nature of the acquisition requires use of the authority cited:** The incumbent contractor, MECx, LP, 3203 Audley Street, Houston, TX 77098-1901, is the only responsible source that can reasonably satisfy the increased positions of the safety, health, and environmental (SHE) requirements, pending award of the follow-on contract. The contractor has been the SHE contractor since May 1, 2006, under contract NND06AB40B. MECx has experienced personnel that have been proven capable of providing the necessary SHE services for NASA DFRC, as evidenced by yearly past performance reviews in which MECx has consistently been rated "Very Good." It would not be cost effective to issue a new contract for the additional positions for potentially 7 months (if all options are exercised) while NASA completes the source selection for the follow-on contract.

The addition of these positions will provide NASA DFRC with the services necessary to support critical services for daily operations at DFRC. MECx can provide seamless, ongoing, immediate, and fully adequate SHE support while avoiding substantial duplication of cost to the Government that is not expected to be recovered through competition.

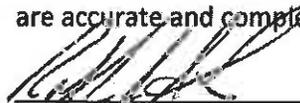
6. **Description of the efforts made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as practicable, including whether a notice was or will be publicized as required by Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 5.202:** No other offers will be solicited as the source selection process for the follow-on SHE procurement is currently ongoing. It would be impracticable and not in the Government's best interest to solicit additional sources while DFRC is evaluating responses for the follow-on procurement. This JOFOC will be posted on the Federal Business Opportunities website for 10 days to provide other sources an opportunity to express interest in this acquisition.

7. **A determination by the Contracting Officer that the anticipated cost to the Government will be fair and reasonable:** The Contracting Officer anticipates the cost to the Government will be fair and reasonable. Prior to award, a proposal analysis will be performed in accordance with FAR 15.404-1. The proposal analysis will ensure that the final agreed-to price for the extension is fair and reasonable. Analysis will include cost and price evaluation techniques. Pre-negotiation objectives will be prepared prior to the initiation of negotiations and will be approved in accordance with FAR 15.406-1 prior to negotiations.
8. **Description of the market research conducted, and the results or a statement of the reasons market research was not conducted:** Other sources may be capable of providing SHE services at DFRC. Market research was conducted and it was determined that it would be cost prohibitive to the Government to award a new competitive contract for these additional services for the brief period remaining on the existing period of performance.
9. **Other facts supporting the use of other than full and open competition:** This additional support will be incorporated into the follow-on contract which will be competitively awarded.
10. **Sources, if any, that expressed an interest, in writing, in the acquisition:** This JOFOC will be posted on the Federal Business Opportunities website for 10 days. Sources will be provided an opportunity to express interest in this additional requirement. If the Government receives any responses which may change the content of this document, the JOFOC will be amended.
11. **The actions the Agency may take to remove or overcome any barriers to competition before any subsequent acquisition for the supplies or services required:** Previous competition for on-site of the SHE Office was adequate. The proposed increase in positions and value is due solely to the need to continue critical SHE support services at DFRC while a follow-on contract is awarded. Therefore, there are no actions the agency needs to take to remove or overcome any barriers to competition.

For the foregoing reasons, MECx is the only responsible source to support the critical requirement for SHE services at DFRC to provide the increase in contract positions, which subsequently will increase the maximum contract value.

TECHNICAL DIRECTORATE:

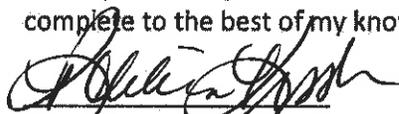
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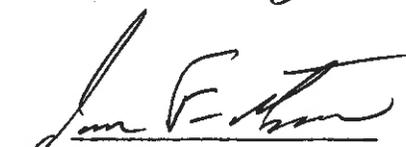
CONTRACTING OFFICER:

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


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