NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION
JOHN F. KENNEDY SPACE CENTER

RECOMMENDATION AND DETERMINATION TO SOLICIT FROM ONE SOURCE

I recommend that NASA, John F. Kennedy Space Center negotiate only with Canberra to provide the support services outlined in the Statement of Work. The total estimated cost of this effort is .

This recommendation is made pursuant to FAR 13.106, for the acquisition of supplies or services determined to be reasonably available from only one source. Competition is impractical for the following reasons:

1. Canberra is the only manufacture of this highly specialized Environmental Continuous Air Monitoring equipment that analysis the ambient air for the presence of radioactive alpha particles. Performing the required maintenance, calibration, and software updates requires an intimate knowledge of the hardware layout and access to the vendor's proprietary software. This proprietary software operates the equipment and outputs the results electronically so radiation safety decisions can be made as to what if any personnel protective actions would be necessary should a radioisotope powered launch mishap occur. Therefore, Canberra the only source who can provide the required maintenance, calibration, and software update services.

2. Pursuant to FAR 5.201, NFS 1805.207 and 1804.570, any contract action over $25,000 (not bought via GSA or SEWP) shall be synopsized in the Government Point of Entry (GPE) and published on the NASA Acquisition Internet Service (NAIS) by the contracting officer for a period of 15 days.

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7-16-2013
Date

I hereby accept the above stated recommendation and determine that the circumstances of the contract action deem only one source reasonably available.

Contracting Officer

7/22/13
Date