

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Justification and Approval
For
Other Than Full and Open Competition

Laundry Equipment Maintenance Services / 549-14-2-5096-0100

1. **Contracting Activity:**

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), SAO-W, VISN 17, 2002 Scott BLVD, Temple, Texas 76504.

2. **Nature and/or Description of the Action Being Processed:**

The Dallas Veterans Affairs Medical Facility (VAMC), 4500 S Lancaster Rd, Dallas, Texas 75216 has the continuing need to provide laundry maintenance services. The current and proposed vendor for this action is a Small Business: Pro-Trex LLC, 1374 Broad Valley Ct., Burleson, TX 76028-6502. This requirement is planned to be transitioned to a full service rental contract for laundry services during FY15, Waco Laundry Facility project. As a result, this continued need shall be for a 10-month period which crosses fiscal years.

In order to ensure services are not interrupted and the current level of maintenance is sustained the undersigned contracting officer recommends that this action be sole sourced. This procurement strategy shall limit degrees of risk to the agency through avoidance of delay in award, violation of the Antideficiency Act and eliminate potential cost overruns.

3. **Description of Supplies/Services Required to Meet the Agency's Needs:**

The Dallas VAMC has identified that the continuing requirement to provide laundry equipment maintenance services in support of their mission is necessary. The Contractor shall provide all labor, tools, parts, materials, equipment, personal protective equipment, transportation, and incidentals as needed to perform laundry equipment maintenance services.

The purpose of this service is for maintenance of 20 single top load electric washers, 25 single electric dryers, 6 stackable electric dryer/dryers, 1 Braun 600 and 200 lb washer, 4 Passat Ironers, 2 Braun Folders, 2 Braun Spreaders, 2 Braun Small Piece Folders, 2 E-tech rail and sorting system, 6 conveyer belts and 1 Colmac Wrinkle Relaxer located at within the Dallas VAMC footprint.

The period of performance will be:

Base year: 20 June 2014 through 30 September 2014

<u>ITEM NUMBER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>UNIT</u>
0001	Laundry Equipment Maintenance Services	03	MO

Option Year 1: 01 October 2014 through 21 April 2015

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4. **Statutory Authority Permitting Other than Full and Open Competition:**

- () (1) Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements per FAR 6.302-1;
- (X) (2) Unusual and Compelling Urgency per FAR 6.302-2;
- () (3) Industrial Mobilization, Engineering, Developmental or Research Capability or Expert Services per FAR 6.302-3;
- () (4) International Agreement per FAR 6.302-4
- () (5) Authorized or Required by Statute FAR 6.302-5;
- () (6) National Security per FAR 6.302-6;
- () (7) Public Interest per FAR 6.302-7;

5. **Demonstration that the Contractor's Unique Qualifications or Nature of the Acquisition Requires the Use of the Authority Cited Above (applicability of authority):**

The Dallas VAMC Linen Management Section is the sole provider of linen cleaning and folding in the North Texas Veterans Affairs region. The Linen Management Section is organized under the Environmental Services Branch, which is responsible for housekeeping and medical textile care. This team supports, VA North Texas Health Care System (VANTHCS), which is a progressive health care provider in the heart of Texas. Poised as VA's second largest health care system, we serve over 113,000 Veterans and deliver 1.4 million outpatient episodes of care each year to Veterans in 38 Texas counties and two counties in southern Oklahoma. We have 4,700 employees and 1,700 community volunteers who are driven by the passion to serve at Dallas VA Medical Center, Sam Rayburn Memorial Veterans Center, Fort Worth Outpatient Clinic, Tyler VA Primary Care Clinic, Polk Street VA Annex Clinic and five community based outpatient clinics.

Processes of cleaning or washing the linen must be regulated by State and Federal regulations for health care facilities. The current contractor has proven to meet and or exceed these standards to date. It is unknown and considered a high risk to seek completion for the following reasons:

Short duration

- Short duration (10 months)
- High costs (costs associated with startup of a new contract)

Although linen accounts for less than 1% of the hospitals total budget, it is still an integral part of the hospital's operations and a well-managed linen program will allow the hospital leadership to focus more on patient care.

6. **Description of Efforts Made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as deemed practicable:**

IAW FAR 41.202(b), in performing a market survey (see 7.101), the contracting officer shall consider, in addition to alternative competitive sources, use of the following:

- GSA Contract Listing: Zero (0) identified in the Dallas / FT. Worth area.
- GWAC contracts: Zero (0) identified through FPDS in the Dallas / FT. Worth area.
- Interagency agreements: Zero (0) identified through FPDS in the Dallas / FT. Worth area.

7. **Determination by the Contracting Officer that the Anticipated Cost to the Government will be Fair and Reasonable:**

The Contracting Officer has determined that the anticipated cost to the government for the services covered by the J&A will be fair and reasonable as the probable cost would not differ from the proposed cost and shall reflect the Government's best estimate of the cost of any contract that is most likely to result from the offeror's proposal. Data to be used as a baseline shall be the current contract (VA257-13-P-0424) of which pricing has not changed per the offeror's quote.

8. Description of the Market Research Conducted and the Results, or a Statement of the Reasons Market Research Was Not Conducted:

See Section VI above.

9. Any Other Facts Supporting the Use of Other than Full and Open Competition:

The current vendor is certified and has performed maintenance successfully on VAMC Laundry service equipment. The vendors performance has ensured that equipment is not in disrepair and able to meet accreditation standards of the Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation's (AAMI) publication processing of Reusable Surgical Textiles for Use in Health Care Facilities, ANSI/AAMI ST65:2000 is sustained.

10. Listing of Sources that Expressed, in Writing, an Interest in the Acquisition:

See Section VI above.

11. A Statement of the Actions, if any, the Agency May Take to Remove or Overcome any Barriers to Competition before Making subsequent acquisitions for the supplies or services required:

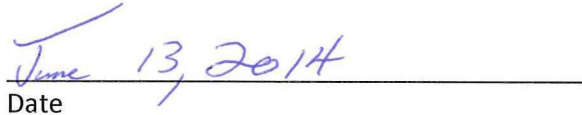
A follow on contract is planned to which will be fully competed and contain a base and four option years.

12. Requirements Certification: I certify that the requirement outlined in this justification is a Bona Fide Need of the Department of Veterans Affairs and that the supporting data under my cognizance, which are included in the justification, are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

13. Approvals in accordance with FAR 6.304



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Network Contracting Office 17


Date