

**SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS**  
**OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, & 30**

1. REQUISITION NO. PAGE 1 OF 28

2. CONTRACT NO. 3. AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE 4. ORDER NO. 5. SOLICITATION NUMBER 6. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE  
 36C26218R0195 12-12-2017

7. FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL: a. NAME LEE TANNER b. TELEPHONE NO. (No Collect Calls) (562) 766-2206 8. OFFER DUE DATE/LOCAL TIME 12-19-2017 10:00AM PDT

9. ISSUED BY CODE 36C262  
 Department of Veterans Affairs  
 Network Contracting Office 22  
 4811 Airport Plaza Drive  
 Suite 600  
 Long Beach CA 90815

10. THIS ACQUISITION IS  UNRESTRICTED OR  SET ASIDE: 100 % FOR:  
 SMALL BUSINESS  WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (WOSB) ELIGIBLE UNDER THE WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM NAICS:  
 HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS  EDWOSB SIZE STANDARD:  
 SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS  8(A)

11. DELIVERY FOR FOB DESTINATION UNLESS BLOCK IS MARKED  SEE SCHEDULE 12. DISCOUNT TERMS  
 13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A RATED ORDER UNDER DPAS (15 CFR 700) 13b. RATING N/A  
 14. METHOD OF SOLICITATION  RFQ  IFB  RFP

15. DELIVER TO CODE  
 Department of Veterans Affairs  
 VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System  
 11301 Wilshire Blvd  
 Los Angeles CA 90073

16. ADMINISTERED BY CODE 36C262  
 Department of Veterans Affairs  
 Network Contracting Office 22  
 4811 Airport Plaza Drive  
 Suite 600  
 Long Beach CA 90815

17a. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR CODE FACILITY CODE 18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY CODE  
 Contractor shall bill in arrears to:  
 Tungsten Network  
 http://www.tungsten-network.com/us/  
 PHONE: FAX:

TELEPHONE NO. DUNS: DUNS+4:

17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER  SEE ADDENDUM 18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS BLOCK BELOW IS CHECKED

19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES See CONTINUATION Page	21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE	24. AMOUNT
	Concrete Underground Storage Fuel Tank Closure Permit, 380,000 Gallons at VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System  <b>SITE VISIT 12/14/2017 10:00AM PDT (instructions page 26)</b>  (Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)				

25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA See CONTINUATION Page 26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)

27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ADDENDA  ARE  ARE NOT ATTACHED.  
 27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA  ARE  ARE NOT ATTACHED

28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN 1 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  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) MONICA GRIFFIN CONTRACTING OFFICER 31c. DATE SIGNED

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**SECTION B - CONTINUATION OF SF 1449 BLOCKS**

**B.1 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION DATA**

**1. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION:** All contract administration matters will be handled by the following individuals:

a. CONTRACTOR: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

b. GOVERNMENT: Department of Veterans Affairs  
Lee Tanner Contract Specialist  
VISN 22 Network Contracting Office  
4811 Airport Plaza Drive  
Suite 600  
Long Beach CA 90815

**2. CONTRACTOR REMITTANCE ADDRESS:** All payments by the Government to the contractor will be made in accordance with:

52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer -  
Other than Central Contractor Registration, or

52.232-36, Payment by Third Party

**3. INVOICES:** Invoices shall be submitted in arrears:

a. Quarterly [ ]

b. Semi-Annually [ ]

c. Other [X] MONTHLY

**4. GOVERNMENT INVOICE ADDRESS:** All Invoices from the contractor shall be submitted electronically in accordance with VAAR Clause 852.232-72 Electronic Submission of Payment Requests.

Contractor shall bill in arrears to:

Tungsten Network

<http://www.tungsten-network.com/us/>

**5. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS:**

The offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments to the Solicitation numbered and dated as follows:

AMENDMENT NUMBER	DATE

**6. DATA UNIVERSAL NUMBERING SYSTEM (DUNS) NUMBER:**

In accordance with FAR Provision 52.212-1 paragraph (j), please provide the Dun and Bradstreet Number assigned to your firm in the space provided below:

DUNS# \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**B.2 PRICE/COST SCHEDULE****ITEM INFORMATION**

Under a firm fixed price contract the Contractor shall provide a health and safety plan, work plan, work plan approval, Division 5 Permit, confined space assessment, soil and groundwater sampling and a soil and ground water sampling laboratory analysis to facilitate the removal or fill of an underground concrete 380,000 gallon fuel tank underneath the intersection of Bonsall and Eisenhower, near parking lot #7 at VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System (VAGLAHS).

**PERIOD OF PRFORMANCE:**

<b>DATES OF THE PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE TO BE DETERMINED BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER</b>					
<b>LINE ITEM</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>QTY</b>	<b>UNIT</b>	<b>UNIT PRICE</b>	<b>ESTIMATED TOTAL COST</b>
0001	Health and Safety Plan Work Plan Work Plan Approval Division 5 Permit Confined Space Assessment Soil and Groundwater Sampling Soil and Groundwater Sampling Laboratory Analysis	1	JB	\$	\$
<b>ESTIMATED AGGERGATE TOTAL:</b>					\$

### **B.3 DESCRIPTION / STATEMENT OF WORK AND REQUIREMENTS**

The Contractor shall provide all labor, materials, parts, equipment, tools, hazardous/nonhazardous waste disposal, travel, all necessary licenses required, and test equipment, and all permits to enable VAGLAHS to permanently close the underground concrete 380,000 gallon fuel tank.

The Contractor shall have the competency and experience in California environmental regulations, experience with the closure actions for large underground storage tanks. The Contractor is required to have experienced Civil and Geotechnical Engineers, and a detailed understanding of residual soil contamination. The Contractor shall have the ability and training to provide a physical removal plan and closure plan in place. The Contractor shall have had a closure plan approved by the regulatory agencies to include California. The Contractor shall ensure all closure requirements found in H&SC section 25298 and the CAL Code Regs., Section 2672 are to be attained.

The Contractor shall provide a site-specific Health and Safety Plan (HASP) identifying existing and potential hazards for workers at the Site during drilling and sampling activities.

The Contractor shall provide a site-specific Work Plan that will describe the site history, previous environmental investigations, and the methodologies and procedures to be followed during the planned field activities.

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The Contractor shall prepare and submit a Division 5 Permit application to the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD), which is required when abandoning a tank in the City of Los Angeles.

The Contractor shall conduct a site-specific assessment of fuel product piping believed to have traveled from the UST fuel pump sub-room through a utility tunnel, which has been designated a permit required confined space, to confirm the location of the piping and evaluate any potential leaks or spills from the piping. If applicable, Contractor will collect samples of any leaks, spills or residual liquid found to be associated with the piping.

The Contractor shall conduct soil and groundwater sampling to assess the subsurface for the presence of potential contaminants associated with the storage and handling fuel oil.

The Contractor shall conduct soil and groundwater samples collected from the vicinity of the UST and associated piping, will be analyzed for benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylenes (BTEX) by EPA Method 8015. Soil samples will be analyzed until four (4) successive non-detect results are reported.

The Permit shall facilitate the removal of residual liquid, solids or sludge in the tank or associated piping. These items shall be handled as hazardous waste or recyclable material. The Permit shall cover the removal and disposal of all piping (designated for removal) associated with the underground fuel tank. The Permit shall cover all piping designated to be permanently closed in place.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:****1. CHANGES:**

Services shall only be changed by a written modification to the contract. The modification will be prepared by the VA Contracting Officer prior to becoming effective. Only those services specified herein are authorized. Before performing any service of a non-contract nature, the Contractor shall advise the Contracting Officer of the reasons for the additional work. Changes to the resulting contract are not authorized, unless in writing by the Contracting Officer.

**2. QUALITY ASSURANCE:**

- a. The COR shall evaluate the services provided by the Contractor weekly.
- b. The Contractor shall provide to the Contracting Officer a copy of the Contractors Quality Assurance Plan within thirty (10) days of award.

The Contracting Officer reserves the right at no additional cost to the Government to schedule a monthly visit with the Contractor to discuss performance. The Contractor shall have at least one person attending the meeting that can make decisions on their behalf.

**3. CONTRACTOR POINT OF CONTACT:**

The Contractor shall provide a contract Program Manager who shall be responsible for the performance of the work. The name of this person shall be designated in writing to the Contracting Officer. The Contractor's Program Manager shall have full authority to act for the Contractor on all contract matters relating to daily operation of this contract.

<b>COMPANY:</b>
<b>ADDRESS:</b>
<b>PHONE NO:</b>
<b>PROGRAM MANAGER:</b>
<b>EMAIL:</b>

#### **4. CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES:**

The Contractor shall not employ persons for work on this contract if such employee is identified to the Contractor as a potential threat to the health, safety, security, general well-being or operational mission of the installation and its population.

Contract Personnel shall be subject to the same quality assurance standards or exceed current recognized national standards as established by the Joint Commission (JC).

The parties agree that the contract personnel working under this contract **shall not** be considered VA employees for any purpose and shall be considered employees of the Contractor.

#### **5. HOURS OF SERVICE**

The Contractor shall perform the services as specified herein Monday through Friday, with the exception of Government Holidays (see below), between the hours of 6:00a.m. and 4:00p.m. The COR shall establish hours for services on these days if required.

New Year's Day	1 January	Labor Day	1 <sup>st</sup> Mon. in September
M L King's Birthday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon. in January	Columbus Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> Mon. in October
President's Day	3 <sup>rd</sup> Mon. in February	Veterans Day	11 November
Memorial Day	Last Mon. in May	Thanksgiving Day	4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs. in November
Independence Day	4 July	Christmas Day	25 December

When one of the holidays falls on Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed as a legal holiday by U.S. Government Agencies. When a holiday falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be observed as a legal holiday. Also included would be any other day specifically declared by the President of the United States to be a National holiday.

#### **6. SAFETY AND FIRE PREVENTION**

In the performance of this contact, the Contractor shall take such safety precautions as necessary to protect the lives and health of the occupants of the building. Fire and safety deficiencies, which exist and are part of the responsibility of the Contractor, shall be immediately corrected. If the Contractor fails or refuses to correct deficiencies promptly, the COR may issue an order stopping all, or any part, of the work.

The Contractor shall comply with applicable Federal, State, and local safety and fire regulations and codes, which are in effect during the performance period of the contract.

The Contractor personnel shall follow applicable facility policies concerning fire/disaster programs.



7. **CONTRACTOR SUBMITTALS /INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

The Contractor shall procure and maintain liability insurance of at least \$100,000, while the contract is in effect. The Contractor is also required to comply with federal and state Workers Compensation and liability insurance.

Within fifteen (15) days of contract award the Contractor shall furnish to the Contracting Officer certification from the insurance company indicating that the coverage has been obtained and that it may not be changed or cancelled without guaranteed thirty (30) day notice to the Contracting Officer. New certifications shall be furnished prior to the expiration date.

8. **SMOKING POLICY**

Smoking is not permitted within or around the VA Healthcare System facilities, except in designated areas.

9. **PARKING POLICY**

It is the responsibility of Contractor personnel to park only in designated parking areas. Parking information is available from the VA Police. The VA will not invalidate or make reimbursement for parking violations of the Contractor's personnel under any circumstances.

10. **REPORTING**

When services are to be performed during normal working hours, the Contractor shall report upon arrival to the Environmental Service Department, and sign in before proceeding to the job site. This check in is mandatory.

After the work is completed, the Contractor shall submit in writing, a report of service rendered to the Occupational Health & Safety Office, Bldg 218 Room.

## SECTION C - CONTRACT CLAUSES

### C.1 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This firm fixed price 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 this/these address(es):

<http://www.acquisition.gov/far/index.html>

<http://www.va.gov/oal/library/vaar/>

<http://farsite.hill.af.mil/>

#### FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR Chapter 1)

FAR Number	Title	Date
52.203-17	CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS AND REQUIREMENT TO INFORM EMPLOYEES OF WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS	APR 2014
52.203-98	PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES THAT REQUIRE CERTAIN INTERNAL CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS— REPRESENTATION (DEVIATION)	(FEB 2015)
52.203-99	PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES THAT REQUIRE CERTAIN INTERNAL CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS (DEVIATION)	(FEB 2015)
52.204-18	COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE MAINTENANCE	JUL 2016
52.209-5	REPRESENTATION BY CORPORATIONS REGARDING AN UNPAID TAX LIABILITY OR A FELONY CONVICTION UNDER ANY FEDERAL LAW (DEVIATION)	(MAR 2012)
52.212-4	CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS-COMMERCIAL ITEMS	(JAN 2017)
52.228-5	INSURANCE -- WORK ON A GOVERNMENT INSTALLATION	
VAAR 852.203-70	COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING	(JAN 2008)
VAAR 852.232-72	ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF PAYMENT REQUESTS	(NOV 2012)
VAAR 852.270-1	REPRESENTATIVES OF CONTRACTING OFFICERS	

**C.2 52.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 2017)**

(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) 52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (JAN 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).

(2) 52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (NOV 2015). (3) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (Aug 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).

(4) 52.233-4, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (Oct 2004) (Public Laws 108-77 and 108- 78 (19 U.S.C. 3805 note)).

(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:

(1) 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (Sept 2006), with Alternate I (Oct 1995) (41 U.S.C. 4704 and 10 U.S.C. 2402).

(2) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (OCT 2015) (41 U.S.C. 3509).

(3) 52.203-15, Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (JUN 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 (OCT 2016) (Pub. L. 109–282) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).

(5) [Reserved]

(6) 52.204–14, Service Contract Reporting Requirements (OCT 2016) (Pub. L. 111–117, section 743 of Div. C).

(7) 52.204–15, Service Contract Reporting Requirements for Indefinite-Delivery Contracts (OCT 2016) (Pub. L. 111–117, section 743 of Div. C).

(8) 52.209-6, Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (OCT 2015) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).

(9) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters

(Jul 2013) (41 U.S.C. 2313).

(10) [Reserved]

(11)(i) 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (NOV 2011) (15 U.S.C. 657a).

(ii) Alternate I (NOV 2011) of 52.219-3.

(12)(i) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (OCT 2014) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) (15 U.S.C. 657a).

(ii) Alternate I (JAN 2011) of 52.219-

4.  (13) [Reserved]

(14)(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).

(15)(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.

(16) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (NOV 2016) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2)

and (3)).  (17)(i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (JAN 2017) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)).

(ii) Alternate I (NOV 2016) of 52.219-9.

(iii) Alternate II (NOV 2016) of 52.219-

9.  (iv) Alternate III (NOV 2016) of

52.219-9.  (v) Alternate IV (NOV 2016)

of 52.219-9.

(18) 52.219-13, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (NOV 2011) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).

(19) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (JAN 2017) (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(14)).

(20) 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages—Subcontracting Plan (Jan 1999) (15 U.S.C.

637(d)(4)(F)(i)).

[X] (21) 52.219-27, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (NOV 2011) (15 U.S.C. 657f).

[X] (22) 52.219-28, Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (Jul 2013) (15 U.S.C 632(a)(2)).

[] (23) 52.219-29, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business Concerns (DEC 2015) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).

[] (24) 52.219-30, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Women-Owned Small Business Concerns Eligible Under the Women-Owned Small Business Program (DEC 2015) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).

[X] (25) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (June 2003) (E.O. 11755).

[] (26) 52.222–19, Child Labor—Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (OCT 2016) (E.O. 13126).

[X] (27) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).

[X] (28) 52.222–26, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O. 11246).

[X] (29) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (OCT 2015) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

[X] (30) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUL 2014) (29 U.S.C. 793).

[X] (31) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (FEB 2016) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

[X] (32) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (DEC 2010) (E.O. 13496).

[X] (33)(i) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (MAR 2015) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).

[] (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2015) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).

[X] (34) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (OCT 2015). (E. O. 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) 52.222-59, Compliance with Labor Laws (Executive Order 13673) (OCT 2016). (Applies at \$50 million for solicitations and resultant contracts issued from October 25, 2016 through April 24, 2017; applies at \$500,000 for solicitations and resultant contracts issued after April 24, 2017).

**Note to paragraph (b)(35):** By a court order issued on October 24, 2016, 52.222-59 is enjoined indefinitely as of the date of the order. The enjoined paragraph will become effective immediately if the court terminates the injunction. At that time, DoD, GSA, and NASA will publish a document in the **Federal Register** advising the public of the termination of the injunction.

(36) 52.222-60, Paycheck Transparency (Executive Order 13673) (OCT 2016).

(37)(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.)

(38) 52.223-11, Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(39) 52.223-12, Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(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.)

(40)(i) 52.223-13, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Imaging Equipment (JUN 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).

(ii) Alternate I (OCT 2015) of 52.223-13.

(41)(i) 52.223-14, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Televisions (JUN 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).

(ii) Alternate I (JUN 2014) of 52.223-14.

(42) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (DEC 2007)(42 U.S.C. 8259b).  (43)(i) 52.223-16, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Personal Computer Products (OCT 2015) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).

(ii) Alternate I (JUN 2014) of 52.223-16.

(44) 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (AUG 2011)

(45) 52.223-20, Aerosols (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(46) 52.223-21, Foams (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(47) (i) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

(ii) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of 52.224-3.

(48) 52.225-1, Buy American—Supplies (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83).

(49)(i) 52.225-3, Buy American—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act (MAY 2014) (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, 112- 42, and 112-43.

(ii) Alternate I (MAY 2014) of 52.225-3.

(iii) Alternate II (MAY 2014) of 52.225-

3.  (iv) Alternate III (MAY 2014) of  
52.225-3.

(50) 52.225–5, Trade Agreements (OCT 2016) (19 U.S.C. 2501, et seq., 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).

(51) 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (JUN 2008) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).

(52) 52.225–26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (OCT 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. 2302 Note).

(53) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

(54) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

(55) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Items (Feb 2002) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).

(56) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Items (JAN 2017) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).

(57) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

(58) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

(59) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (MAY 2014) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

(60) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

(61) 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (JAN 2017)(15 U.S.C. 637(d)(12)).

(62)(i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006)  
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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:

(1) 52.222-17, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers (MAY 2014) (E.O. 13495).

(2) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(3) 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (MAY 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(4) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards—Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (MAY 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(5) 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards—Price Adjustment (MAY 2014) (29 U.S.C 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(6) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment—Requirements (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(7) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services—Requirements (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(8) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (DEC 2015).

(9) 52.222-62, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2017) (E.O. 13706).

(10) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (MAY 2014) (42 U.S.C. 1792).



[] (11) 52.237-11, Accepting and Dispensing of \$1 Coin (SEP 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 (OCT 2015) (41 U.S.C. 3509).

(ii) 52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (JAN 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).

(iii) 2.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (NOV 2016) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities.

(iv) 52.222-17, Nondisplacement of Qualified Workers (MAY 2014) (E.O. 13495). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (l) of FAR clause 52.222-17.

(v) ) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (APR 2015).

(vi) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O. 11246).

(vii) 22-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (OCT 2015) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

(viii) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (JUL 2014) (29 U.S.C. 793).

(ix) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (FEB 2016) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

(x) 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.

(xi) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(xii)(A) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (MAR 2015) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).

(B) Alternate I (MAR 2015) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).

(xiii) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment—Requirements (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(xiv) -53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services—Requirements (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).

(xv) 222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (OCT 2015) (E. O. 12989).

(xvi) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (DEC 2015).

(xvii) 222-59, Compliance with Labor Laws (Executive Order 13673) (OCT 2016) (Applies at \$50 million for solicitations and resultant contracts issued from October 25, 2016 through April 24, 2017; applies at \$500,000 for solicitations and resultant contracts issued after April 24, 2017).

**Note to paragraph (e)(1)(xvii):** By a court order issued on October 24, 2016, 52.222-59 is enjoined indefinitely as of the date of the order. The enjoined paragraph will become effective immediately if the court terminates the injunction. At that time, DoD, GSA, and NASA will publish a document in the **Federal Register** advising the public of the termination of the injunction.

(xviii) 52.222-60, Paycheck Transparency (Executive Order 13673) (OCT 2016)).

(xix) 52.222-62 Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (JAN 2017) (E.O. 13706).

(xx)(A) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (JAN 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

(B) Alternate I (JAN 2017) of 52.224-3.

(xxi) 52.225–26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (OCT 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. 2302 Note).

(xxii) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (MAY 2014) (42 U.S.C. 1792). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226-6.

(xxiii) 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)

### **C.3 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. These rates may be adjusted only as a result of revisions to prevailing labor rates provided by the Secretary of Labor. 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 10 days.

(End of Clause)

### **C.4 VAAR 852.237-70 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES (APR 1984)**

The contractor shall obtain all necessary licenses and/or permits required to perform this work. He/she shall take all reasonable precautions necessary to protect persons and property from injury or damage during the performance of this contract. He/she shall be responsible for any injury to himself/herself, his/her employees, as well as for any damage to personal or public property that occurs during the performance of this contract that is caused by his/her employees fault or negligence, and shall maintain personal liability and property damage insurance having coverage for a limit as required by the laws of the State of California. Further, it is agreed that any negligence of the Government, its officers, agents, servants and employees, shall not be the responsibility of the contractor hereunder with the regard to any claims, loss, damage, injury, and liability resulting there from.

(End of Clause)

## SECTION E - SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

### E.1 52.212-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 2017)

(a) *North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code and small business size standard.* The NAICS code and small business size standard for this acquisition appear in Block 10 of the solicitation cover sheet (SF 1449). However, the small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, but which proposes to furnish an item which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.

(b) *Submission of offers.* Submit signed and dated offers to the office specified in this solicitation at or before the exact time specified in this solicitation. Offers may be submitted on the SF 1449, letterhead stationery, or as otherwise specified in the solicitation. As a minimum, offers must show—

- (1) The solicitation number;
- (2) The time specified in the solicitation for receipt of offers;
- (3) The name, address, and telephone number of the offeror;
- (4) A technical description of the items being offered in sufficient detail to evaluate compliance with the requirements in the solicitation. This may include product literature, or other documents, if necessary;
- (5) Terms of any express warranty;
- (6) Price and any discount terms;
- (7) "Remit to" address, if different than mailing address;
- (8) A completed copy of the representations and certifications at FAR 52.212-3 (see FAR 52.212-3(b) for those representations and certifications that the offeror shall complete electronically);
- (9) Acknowledgment of Solicitation Amendments;
- (10) Past performance information, when included as an evaluation factor, to include recent and relevant contracts for the same or similar items and other references (including contract numbers, points of contact with telephone numbers and other relevant information); and
- (11) If the offer is not submitted on the SF 1449, include a statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation. Offers that fail to furnish required representations or information, or reject the terms and conditions of the solicitation may be excluded from consideration.

(c) *Period for acceptance of offers.* The offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for 30 calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers, unless another time period is specified in an addendum to the solicitation.

(d) *Product samples.* When required by the solicitation, product samples shall be submitted at or prior to the time specified for receipt of offers. Unless otherwise specified in this solicitation, these samples shall be submitted at no expense to the Government, and returned at the sender's request and expense, unless they are destroyed during preaward testing.

(e) *Multiple offers.* Offerors are encouraged to submit multiple offers presenting alternative terms and conditions, including alternative line items (provided that the alternative line items are consistent with subpart 4.10 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation), or alternative commercial items for satisfying the requirements of this solicitation. Each offer submitted will be evaluated separately.

(f) ) Late submissions, modifications, revisions, and withdrawals of offers.

(1) Offerors are responsible for submitting offers, and any modifications, revisions, or withdrawals, so as to reach the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office on the date that offers or revisions are due.

(2)(i) Any offer, modification, revision, or withdrawal of an offer received at the Government office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made, the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition; and—

(A) If it was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation, it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of offers; or

(B) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers; or

(C) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, it was the only proposal received.

(ii) However, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer, that makes its terms more favorable to the Government, will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(3) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the offer wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.

(4) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that offers cannot be received at the Government office designated for receipt of offers by the exact

time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.

(5) Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers. Oral offers in response to oral solicitations may be withdrawn orally. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers, subject to the conditions specified in the solicitation concerning facsimile offers. An offer may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for receipt of offers, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer.

(g) *Contract award (not applicable to Invitation for Bids)*. The Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract without discussions with offerors. Therefore, the offeror's initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint. However, the Government reserves the right to conduct discussions if later determined by the Contracting Officer to be necessary. The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the public interest; accept other than the lowest offer; and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received.

(h) *Multiple awards*. The Government may accept any item or group of items of an offer, unless the offeror qualifies the offer by specific limitations. Unless otherwise provided in the Schedule, offers may not be submitted for quantities less than those specified. The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the offer.

(i) Availability of requirements documents cited in the solicitation.

(1)(i) The GSA Index of Federal Specifications, Standards and Commercial Item Descriptions, FPMR Part 101-29, and copies of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained for a fee by submitting a request to—

GSA Federal Supply Service Specifications

Section Suite 8100 470 East L'Enfant Plaza,

SW Washington, DC 20407

Telephone (202) 619-8925

Facsimile (202) 619-8978.

(ii) If the General Services Administration, Department of Agriculture, or Department of Veterans Affairs issued this solicitation, a single copy of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained free of charge by

submitting a request to the addressee in paragraph (i)(1)(i) of this provision. Additional copies will be issued for a fee.

(2) Most unclassified Defense specifications and standards may be downloaded from the following ASSIST websites:

(i) ASSIST (<https://assist.dla.mil/online/start/>);

(ii) Quick Search (<http://quicksearch.dla.mil/>);

(iii) ASSISTdocs.com (<http://assistdocs.com>).

(3) Documents not available from ASSIST may be ordered from the Department of Defense Single Stock Point (DoDSSP) by?

(i) Using the ASSIST Shopping Wizard (<https://assist.dla.mil/wizard/index.cfm>);

(ii) Phoning the DoDSSP Customer Service Desk (215) 697-2179, Mon-Fri, 0730 to 1600 EST;  
or

(iii) Ordering from DoDSSP, Building 4, Section D, 700 Robbins Avenue,  
Philadelphia, PA 19111- 5094, Telephone (215) 697-2667/2179, Facsimile (215) 697-  
1462.

(4) Nongovernment (voluntary) standards must be obtained from the organization responsible for their preparation, publication, or maintenance.

(j) *Unique entity identifier.* (Applies to all offers exceeding \$3,500, and offers of \$3,500 or less if the solicitation requires the Contractor to be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) database.) The Offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation “Unique Entity Identifier” followed by the unique entity identifier that identifies the Offeror’s name and address. The Offeror also shall enter its Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) indicator, if applicable. The EFT indicator is a four-character suffix to the unique entity identifier. The suffix is assigned at the discretion of the Offeror to establish additional SAM records for identifying alternative EFT accounts (see subpart 32.11) for the same entity. If the Offeror does not have a unique entity identifier, it should contact the entity designated at [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov) for unique entity identifier establishment directly to obtain one. The Offeror should indicate that it is an offeror for a Government contract when contacting the entity designated at [www.sam.gov](http://www.sam.gov) for establishing the unique entity identifier.

(k) *System for Award Management.* Unless exempted by an addendum to this solicitation, by submission of an offer, the offeror acknowledges the requirement that a prospective awardee shall be registered in the SAM database prior to award, during performance and through final payment of any contract resulting from this solicitation. If the Offeror does not become registered in the SAM database in the time prescribed by the Contracting Officer, the Contracting Officer will

proceed to award to the next otherwise successful registered Offeror. Offerors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements via the SAM database accessed through <https://www.acquisition.gov>.

(1) *Debriefing*. If a post-award debriefing is given to requesting offerors, the Government shall disclose the following information, if applicable:

(1) The agency's evaluation of the significant weak or deficient factors in the debriefed offeror's offer.

(2) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful and the debriefed offeror and past performance information on the debriefed offeror.

(3) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection.

(4) A summary of the rationale for award;

(5) For acquisitions of commercial items, the make and model of the item to be delivered by the successful offeror.

(6) Reasonable responses to relevant questions posed by the debriefed offeror as to whether source-selection procedures set forth in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities were followed by the agency.

(End of Provision)



**E.2 ADDENDUM to FAR 52.212-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS— COMMERCIAL ITEMS**

1. **Site Visit:** A site visit will be held on 12/14/2017 at 10:00AM PDT at VAGLAHS 11301 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles CA 90073. All Contractors are instructed to meet in parking lot #7 near the Chapel and proceed to the intersection of Bonsall and Eisenhower (the location of the concrete 380,000 gallon underground fuel tank). All questions shall be provided in writing via email only to [lee.tanner@va.gov](mailto:lee.tanner@va.gov) by 12/16/2017 at 10:00AM PDT. Responses to any questions shall not be expected at the site visit.
2. **Submittal of Quote:** Offerors shall submit quotes via or email to [lee.tanner@va.gov](mailto:lee.tanner@va.gov), no later than the submission due date identified block eight (8) of the 1449 in this solicitation. In addition to price quotes offers' shall submit the following in response to this special standard of responsibility:
  - a. **Special Standard of Responsibility** – Offerors' shall provide evidence of Specialized Experience with California's environmental regulations in the closure actions for large underground concrete storage tanks. This special standard of responsibility will be used to ensure the offeror has the specialized experience providing for the closure actions of a concrete 380,000 gallon fuel tank. Specifically, the offeror shall provide a narrative summary in no more than two (2) pages demonstrating this specialized experience providing the services as required by the SOW.
  - b. Fill in SF 1449 blocks 17a, 30a, 30b, and 30c on Page 1.
  - c. Fill in 1(a) on Page 3.
  - d. Fill in Price/Cost Schedule
  - e. Submit the documentation required below in section 52.212-2 with your response to this solicitation by the bid closing date/time.

**E.3 52.212-2 EVALUATION—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (OCT 2014)**

- a. **Basis For Award:** Award will be made to the responsible offeror offering the lowest price. Price is the only factor that will be used to evaluate offers. Award will be made to the lowest-priced offer that is determined to be responsible. After making selection of the lowest price offeror, the Contracting Officer will determine if the selected offeror is responsible. In addition to the General Standards of Responsibility found in FAR 9.104-1, and in accordance with FAR 9.104-2, the following Special Standard of Responsibility applies to this procurement.

Those offerors who fail to meet the Special Standard of Responsibility will not be eligible to receive a contract award.

**Evaluation Factor:**

**1. Price**

(a) A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer, mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the offer's specified expiration time, the Government may accept an offer (or part of an offer), whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

(End of Provision)

**E.4 52.216-1 TYPE OF CONTRACT (APR 1984)**

The Government contemplates award of a Firm-Fixed-Price contract resulting from this solicitation.

(End of Provision)

**E.5 52.233-2 SERVICE OF PROTEST (SEP 2006)**

Protests, as defined in section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the Government Accountability Office (GAO), shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from:

Hand-Carried Address:

Lee Tanner  
Department of Veterans  
Affairs Network Contracting  
Office 22 4811 Airport  
Plaza Drive Suite 600  
Long Beach CA 90815

Mailing Address:

Lee Tanner  
Department of Veterans Affairs  
4811 Airport Plaza Drive  
Suite 600  
Long Beach Long Beach 90815

(b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

(End of Provision)

**E.6 VAAR 852.233-70 PROTEST CONTENT/ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (JAN 2008)**

(a) Any protest filed by an interested party shall:

- (1) Include the name, address, fax number, and telephone number of the protester;
- (2) Identify the solicitation and/or contract number;
- (3) Include an original signed by the protester or the protester's representative and at least one copy;
- (4) Set forth a detailed statement of the legal and factual grounds of the protest, including a description of resulting prejudice to the protester, and provide copies of relevant documents;
- (5) Specifically request a ruling of the individual upon whom the protest is served;
- (6) State the form of relief requested; and
- (7) Provide all information establishing the timeliness of the protest.

(b) Failure to comply with the above may result in dismissal of the protest without further consideration.

(c) Bidders/offerors and contracting officers are encouraged to use alternative dispute resolution (ADR) procedures to resolve protests at any stage in the protest process. If ADR is used, the Department of Veterans Affairs will not furnish any documentation in an ADR proceeding beyond what is allowed by the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

(End of Provision)

**E.7 VAAR 852.233-71 ALTERNATE PROTEST PROCEDURE (JAN 1998)**

As an alternative to filing a protest with the contracting officer, an interested party may file a protest with the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management, Acquisition Administration Team, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, or for solicitations issued by the Office of Construction and Facilities Management, the Director, Office of Construction and Facilities Management, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. The protest will not be considered if the interested party has a protest on the same or similar issues pending with the contracting officer.

(End of Provision)