

SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, & 30				1. REQUISITION NO. 659-18-3-937-0017	PAGE 1 OF 21
2. CONTRACT NO.	3. AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE	4. ORDER NO.	5. SOLICITATION NUMBER 36C24618Q9261	6. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE 06-18-2018	
7. FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL: a. NAME Dori Dabbs		b. TELEPHONE NO. (No Collect Calls) 704-638-9000 x13219		8. OFFER DUE DATE/LOCAL TIME 06-25-2018 10:00 AM	
9. ISSUED BY Department of Veterans Affairs Network Contracting Office 6 1601 Brenner Ave Salisbury NC 28144		CODE	10. THIS ACQUISITION IS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> HUBZONE SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS	<input type="checkbox"/> UNRESTRICTED OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SET ASIDE: 100 % FOR: <input type="checkbox"/> WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (WOSB) ELIGIBLE UNDER THE WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM NAICS: 339112 <input type="checkbox"/> EDWOSB <input type="checkbox"/> 8(A) SIZE STANDARD: 1000 Employees	
11. DELIVERY FOR FOB DESTINATION UNLESS BLOCK IS MARKED <input type="checkbox"/> SEE SCHEDULE		12. DISCOUNT TERMS		13a. THIS CONTRACT IS A RATED ORDER UNDER DPAS (15 CFR 700) <input type="checkbox"/>	
15. DELIVER TO Department of Veterans Affairs VA Health Care Center 1695 Kernersville Medical Parkway Kernersville NC 27284		CODE	16. ADMINISTERED BY Contracting Officer 704-638-9000 x13219 dori.dabbs2@va.gov		13b. RATING N/A
17a. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR TELEPHONE NO. _____ DUNS: _____ DUNS+4: _____		CODE	18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY Department of Veterans Affairs FMS-VA-2(101) Financial Services Center PO Box 149971 Austin TX 78714-9971 PHONE: _____ FAX: _____		14. METHOD OF SOLICITATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFQ <input type="checkbox"/> IFB <input type="checkbox"/> RFP
17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER <input type="checkbox"/>		18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a UNLESS BLOCK BELOW IS CHECKED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEE ADDENDUM			
19. ITEM NO.	20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES		21. QUANTITY	22. UNIT	23. UNIT PRICE
	Kleinsasser Panendoscopy Instruments - Kernersville HCC This is a Brand Name ONLY requirement for standardization See Price/Cost Schedule beginning on page 4 New Equipment ONLY; NO remanufactured or "gray market" items All items must be covered by the manufacturer's warranty. (Use Reverse and/or Attach Additional Sheets as Necessary)				
25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA				26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ADDENDA <input type="checkbox"/> 27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED. <input type="checkbox"/> ARE <input type="checkbox"/> ARE NOT ATTACHED		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN <u>1</u> 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			<input type="checkbox"/> 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) Dori Dabbs 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: Dori Dabbs, Contracting Officer 00246
Department of Veterans Affairs
Network Contracting Office (NCO 6)
1601 Brenner Ave
Salisbury NC 28144
704-638-9000 x13219 or dori.dabbs2@va.gov

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 System For Award Management, or
- 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party

3. INVOICES: Invoices shall be submitted in arrears:

- a. Quarterly
- b. Semi-Annually
- c. Other - Upon delivery and acceptance

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.

Vendors are required to submit payment requests in electronic form in order to enhance customer service, departmental productivity, and adoption of innovative information technology, including the appropriate use of commercial best practices. Please go to this website: <http://ob10.com/us/en/veterans-affairs-us/> to submit electronic invoices.

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

AMENDMENT NO	DATE

B.2 SUBCONTRACTING COMMITMENTS--MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE (JUN 2011)

This solicitation includes VAAR 852.215-70, Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned and Veteran-Owned Small Business Evaluation Factors, and VAAR 852.215-71, Evaluation Factor Commitments. Accordingly, any contract resulting from this solicitation will include these clauses. The contractor is advised in performing contract administration functions, the CO may use the services of a support contractor(s) to assist in assessing contractor compliance with the subcontracting commitments incorporated into the contract. To that end, the support contractor(s) may require access to the contractor's business records or other proprietary data to review such business records regarding contract compliance with this requirement. All support contractors conducting this review on behalf of VA will be required to sign an "Information Protection and Non-Disclosure and Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest Agreement" to ensure the contractor's business records or other proprietary data reviewed or obtained in the course of assisting the CO in assessing the contractor for compliance are protected to ensure information or data is not improperly disclosed or other impropriety occurs. Furthermore, if VA determines any services the support contractor(s) will perform in assessing compliance are advisory and assistance services as defined in FAR 2.101, Definitions, the support contractor(s) must also enter into an agreement with the contractor to protect proprietary information as required by FAR 9.505-4, obtaining access to proprietary information, paragraph (b). The contractor is required to cooperate fully and make available any records as may be required to enable the CO to assess the contractor compliance with the subcontracting commitments.

B.3 PRICE/COST SCHEDULE

CLIN	DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES	QTY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED PRICE
0001	KLEINSASSER MINI FORCEPS WITH ROUND 1MM CUP JAWS, STRAIGHT, WL:23CM (8591AM)	1	EA		
0002	KLEINSASSER MINI FORCEPS WITH ROUND 1MM CUP JAWS CURVED LEFT, WL:23CM (8591DM)	1	EA		
0003	KLEINSASSER MINI FORCEPS W/ROUND 1MM CUP JAWS CURVED UP + RIGHT, WL:23CM (8591EM)	1	EA		
0004	KLEINSASSER MINI FORCEPS W/ROUND 1MM CUP JAWS CURVED UP + LEFT, WL:23CM (8591FM)	1	EA		
0005	KLEINSASSER MINI FORCEPS WITH ROUND 1MM CUP JAWS CURVED RIGHT, WL:23CM (8591CM)	1	EA		
0006	KLEINSASSER CUTTING FORCEPS W/ ROUND 2MM CUP JAW CURVED UP + LEFT, WL:23CM (8591F)	1	EA		
0007	KLEINSASSER MINI LARYNGEAL SCISSORS STRAIGHT, WORKING LENGTH:23CM (8594AM)	1	EA		
0008	KLEINSASSER MINI LARYNGEAL SCISSORS ANGLED 45 degree, WORKING LENGTH:23CM (8594BM)	1	EA		

0009	KLEINSASSER MINI LARYNGEAL SCISSORS CURVED RIGHT, WORKING LENGTH:23CM (8594CM)	1	EA		
0010	KLEINSASSER MINI LARYNGEAL SCISSORS CURVED LEFT, WORKING LENGTH:23CM (8594DM)	1	EA		
0011	GENERIC STERILIZATION/STORAGE TRAY, 19.8" X 9" X 1.8" (39301H-ZBD)	1	EA		
0012	HOPKINS 0 Degree TELESCOPE, 5.5MMX50CM, AUTOCLAVABLE (10320AA)	1	EA		
0013	HOPKINS 0 Degree TELESCOPE 5.5MMX53CM AUTOCLAVABLE (12015AA)	1	EA		
0014	STERRAD COMPATIBLE STERILIZATION TRAY FOR TWO SCOPES TO 5.5MM X 53CM (39301DS-ZBD)	1	EA		
0015	ESOPHAGOSCOPE HANDLE USED W/12060A-H (12070)	1	EA		
0016	BENJAMIN HAVAS CLIP F/PROX ILLUMINATION (497AC)	1	EA		
0017	BENJAMIN SUPER-SLIMLINE OPERATING ADULT LARYNGOSCOPE + SUBGLOTTISCOPE, LGTH:17CM (8574SSL)	1	EA		
0018	PARSONS OPERATING LARYNGOSCOPE, SIZE 6 F/ADULT, XTRA LRG, ANTERIOR COMM, LGTH:18CM (8576AA)	1	EA		
0019	LINDHOLM OPERATION LARYNGOSCOPE ADULT SZ, DISTAL END 18MM, LENGTH 15 CM (8587A)	1	EA		
0020	FIBER OPTIC LIGHT CARRIER, F/8587A/AA/KK LINDHOLM LARYNGOSCOPE, LENGTH: 7.5CM (8587GF)	2	EA		
0021	KLEINSASSER LARYNGOSCOPE, MEDIUM ADULT LENGTH:17CM (8590C)	1	EA		
0022	FIBER OPTIC LIGHT CARRIER, F/8590A-L, 8576P/S,12068A,12067A,8590T, LGTH:14CM (8590GF)	2	EA		
0023	KLEINSASSER ANTERIOR COMMISSURE LARYNGOSCOPE,ADULT MEDIUM SIZE, LGTH:18CM (8590J)	1	EA		
0024	BENJAMIN-PARSONS SUPPORT ROD, MOVEABLE W/METAL RING 12CM AND 2 LATERAL SCREWS (8575KD)	1	EA		
0025	GOTTINGEN LARYNGOSCOPE HOLDER WITH WHEEL FOR USE WITH SUPPORT ROD 8575KB (8575KA)	1	EA		
0026	KLEINSASSER SUCTION TUBE, W/CUTOFF HOLE, 0: 3MM, LENGTH 23CM (8604)	1	EA		
0027	BACKHAUS TOWEL FORCEPS, LENGTH:13CM (796013)	1	EA		
0028	MAY SCISSORS, STRAIGHT, LENGTH: 17CM (791905)	1	EA		
0029	LIGHT CABLE, 3.5MM X 300CM. LGTH 9.8 FT (495ND-ENT)	1	EA		

0030	INSERTABLE SUCTION TUBE, F/8587A/AA LINDHOLM LARYNGOSCOPE, LENGTH 8.5CM (8587M)	2	EA		
0031	INSERTABLE SUCTION TUBE, F/LARYNGOSCOPES 8590A-JL, OD:3MM, LENGTH:12.5CM (8590M)	1	EA		
0032	BENJAMIN PROXIMAL JET CANNULA MALLEABLE, 2MMX 13.5CM (8574GY)	1	EA		
0033	HANDLE ONLY F/8595A-8596T LARYNGEAL KNIVES (8597)	1	EA		
0034	STERILIZATION/STORAGE TRAY WITH TWO LEVELS 20.5"X9.8"X5.7" (39351J-ZBD)	1	EA		
0035	KLEINSASSER LARYNGEAL CUTTING FORCEPS W/ROUND 2MM CUP JAWS, STRAIGHT, WL:23CM (8591A)	1	EA		
0036	KLEINSASSER CUTTING FORCEPS WITH ROUND 2MM CUP JAWS, CURVED UP, WL:23CM (8591B)	1	EA		
0037	KLEINSASSER CUTTING FORCEPS WITH ROUND 2MM CUP JAWS CURVED LEFT, WL:23CM (8591D)	1	EA		
0038	KLEINSASSER CUTTING FORCEPS WITH ROUND 2MM CUP JAWS CRVD UP AND RIGHT, WL:23CM (8591E)	1	EA		
0039	KLEINSASSER CUTTING FRCPS W/2MM CUP JAWS CRVD UP+RIGHT,STRAIGHT CUT EDGE, WL:23CM (8591EA)	1	EA		
0040	KLEINSASSER CUTTING FRCPS W/2MM CUP JAW CRVD UP + LEFT,STRAIGHT CUT EDGE,WL:23CM (8591FA)	1	EA		
0041	KLEINSASSER CUTTING FORCEPS W/2MM CUP JAWS,HORIZ OPEN TO RIGHT, STRAIGHT, WL:23CM (8591R)	1	EA		
0042	LARYNGEAL CUTTING FORCEPS WITH ROUND 4MM CUP JAWS CURVED LEFT, WL:23CM (8591W)	1	EA		
0043	LARYNGEAL CUTTING FORCEPS WITH ROUND 4MM CUP JAWS CURVED UP WL:23 CM (8591U)	1	EA		
0044	LARYNGEAL CUTTING FORCEPS WITH ROUND 4MM CUP JAWS CURVED RIGHT, WL:23CM (8591V)	1	EA		
0045	KLEINSASSER LARYNGEAL SCISSORS, STRAIGHT WORKING LENGTH:23CM (8594A)	1	EA		
0046	KLEINSASSER LARYNGEAL SCISSORS ANGLED 45degree, WORKING LENGTH:23CM (8594B)	1	EA		
0047	KLEINSASSER LARYNGEAL SCISSORS CURVED RIGHT, WORKING LENGTH:23CM (8594C)	1	EA		

0048	KLEINSASSER LARYNGEAL SCISSORS CURVED LEFT, WORKING LENGTH:23CM (8594D)	1	EA		
0049	KLEINSASSER LARYNGEAL SCISSORS, STRAIGHT HORIZONTAL CUTTING, WORKING LENGTH:23CM (8595E)	1	EA		
0050	KLEINSASSER ALLIGATOR FORCEPS W/O RATCHET, STRAIGHT, SERRATED, WL:23CM (8593A)	1	EA		
0051	KLEINSASSER ALLIGATOR FORCEPS CURVED RIGHT, W/O RATCHET WORKING LENGTH 23CM (8593B)	1	EA		
0052	KLEINSASSER ALLIGATOR FORCEPS CRVD LEFT W/O RATCHET SERRATED WL:23CM (8593C)	1	EA		
0053	KLEINSASSER ALLIGATOR FORCEPS, CRVD UP W/O RATCHET SERRATED WL:23CM (8593E)	1	EA		
0054	KLEINSASSER SUCTION TUBE, W/ CUTOFF HOLE, 0: 2MM, LENGTH: 23CM (8602)	1	EA		
0055	SINUS INSTRUMENT STERILIZATION TRAY, 19.75" X 14.5" X 9.5" (WDH) (39312A-ZBD)	1	EA		
0056	RIGID SUCTION TUBE WITH THUMB CONTROL 4MMX50CM (10383A)	1	EA		
0057	INSERTABLE SUCTION TUBE FOR 50CM ESOPHAGOSCOPES (12062A)	1	EA		
0058	FIBER OPTIC LIGHT CARRIER FOR 50 AND 52 CM ESOPHAGOSCOPES (12061A)	2	EA		
0059	ADAPTOR WITH SLIDING WINDOW AND RUBBER TELESCOPE GUIDE FOR ADULT SCOPE (10315P)	1	EA		
0060	RESPIRATOR ADAPTOR FOR RIGID BRONCHOSCOPE TUBES (10924D)	3	EA		
0061	INSTRUMENT GUIDE WITHOUT STEM FOR ADULT BRONCHOSCOPES (10318S)	2	EA		
0062	GLASS WINDOW PLUG F/10318 (10315M)	2	EA		
0063	RUBBER TELESCOPE GUIDE F/10318 (10315N)	2	EA		
0064	INJECTION CANNULA FOR POSITIVE PRESSURE ASSISTED VENTILATION ONLY, OD: 3.5MM (10318K)	2	EA		
0065	LIGHT CABLE BIFURCATED AT TELESCOPE END 3.5MM X 300CM (9.8') (495UDL)	1	EA		
	13 ADAPTERS COME WITH TELESCOPES 5038		EA		
0066	SEAL BONNET 50/5, 10/PKG (6127690-10)	1	EA		
	BOTTOM TRAY 10318B - INCLUDES 10318L		EA		
0067	UNIVERSAL ADULT BRONCH TUBE W/O LIGHT CARRIER SZ:8.5, 11.2X43CM (10318BK)	2	EA		
	10318C - INCLUDES 10318L		EA		

0068	ADULT BRONCH TUBE W/10318L FIBER OPTIC LIGHT CARRIER, SZ:7.5, 10.2MMX43CM (10318CK)	1	EA		
	10318D - INCLUDES 10318L		EA		
0069	UNIVERSAL ADULT BRONCH TUBE W.O LIGHT CARRIER, SZ: 6.5, 9.2MMX43CM (10318DK)	1	EA		
0070	ROBERTS-JESBERG OVAL ESOPHAGOSCOPE OD 12X16MM LENGTH 50 CM (12060A)	1	EA		
0071	ROBERTS-JESBERG OVAL ESOPHAGOSCOPE OD 10X14MM LENGTH 50 CM (12060C)	1	EA		
0072	PEANUT GRASPING FORCEPS WITH DOUBLE ACTION JAWS, 2.5MM X50CM (10370K)	1	EA		
0073	BIOPSY FORCEPS WITH ROUND CUP DOUBLE ACTION JAWS, 2.5MMX50CM (10370L)	1	EA		
0074	PEANUT GRASPING FORCEPS WITH DOUBLE ACTION JAWS, 2.5MM X 60CM (10370KX)	1	EA		
0075	POINTED GRASPING FORCEPS WITH SHARP ROTATABLE DOUBLE ACTION JAWS, 2.5MMX60CM (10370JX)	1	EA		
0076	DEFLECTOR LIGHT PRISMATIC AUTOCLAVABLE (10101FA)	1	EA		
0077	INSTRUMENT GUIDE WITH AF DEVICE FOR 10320A/B/C AND 10318B/C/D (10329A)	1	EA		
0078	ESOPHAGOSCOPE STERILIZATION TRAY INNER DIAMETER 25.5"X9.5" 5" (39316A-ZBD)	1	EA		
Shipping (if applicable)					
TOTAL					

This is a Brand Name ONLY requirement.

New Equipment ONLY; NO remanufactured or "gray market" items. All items must be covered by the manufacturer's warranty.

The delivery of gray market items to the VA in the fulfillment of an order/award constitutes a breach of contract. Accordingly, the VA reserves the right enforce any of its contractual remedies. This includes termination of the contract or, solely at the VA's election, allowing the Vendor to replace, at no cost to the Government, any remanufactured or gray market item(s) delivered to a VA medical facility upon discovery of such items.

B.4 DELIVERY SCHEDULE

CLIN	PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE
All line items	Delivery within 45 days of award

Delivery to:

Department of Veterans Affairs
VA Health Care Center
1695 Kernersville Medical Parkway
Kernersville, NC 27284

SECTION C - CONTRACT CLAUSES

ADDENDUM to FAR 52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS

Clauses that are incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date), have the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available.

The following clauses are incorporated into 52.212-4 as an addendum to this contract:

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

This 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/>

<u>FAR Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
52.203-17	CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS AND REQUIREMENT TO INFORM EMPLOYEES OF WHISTLEBLOWER RIGHTS	APR 2014
52.204-18	COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE MAINTENANCE	JUL 2016
52.232-40	PROVIDING ACCELERATED PAYMENTS TO SMALL BUSINESS SUBCONTRACTORS	DEC 2013

C.2 52.219-6 NOTICE OF TOTAL SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDE (NOV 2011)

(a) *Definition.* "Small business concern," as used in this clause, means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the size standards in this solicitation.

(b) *Applicability.* This clause applies only to—

- (1) Contracts that have been totally set aside or reserved for small business concerns; and
- (2) Orders set aside for small business concerns under multiple-award contracts as described in 8.405-5 and 16.505(b)(2)(i)(F).

(c) *General.*

(1) Offers are solicited only from small business concerns. Offers received from concerns that are not small business concerns shall be considered nonresponsive and will be rejected.

(2) Any award resulting from this solicitation will be made to a small business concern.

(d) *Agreement.* A small business concern submitting an offer in its own name shall furnish, in performing the contract, only end items manufactured or produced by small business concerns in the

United States or its outlying areas. If this procurement is processed under simplified acquisition procedures and the total amount of this contract does not exceed \$25,000, a small business concern may furnish the product of any domestic firm. This paragraph does not apply to construction or service contracts.

(End of Clause)

C.3 VAAR 852.203-70 COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING (MAY 2018)

The Contractor shall not make reference in its commercial advertising to Department of Veterans Affairs contracts in a manner that states or implies the Department of Veterans Affairs approves or endorses the Contractor's products or services or considers the Contractor's products or services superior to other products or services.

(End of Clause)

C.4 VAAR 852.215-71 EVALUATION FACTOR COMMITMENTS (DEC 2009)

The offeror agrees, if awarded a contract, to use the service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses or veteran-owned small businesses proposed as subcontractors in accordance with 852.215-70, Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned and Veteran-Owned Small Business Evaluation Factors, or to substitute one or more service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses or veteran-owned small businesses for subcontract work of the same or similar value.

(End of Clause)

C.5 VAAR 852.232-72 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF PAYMENT REQUESTS (NOV 2012)

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this clause—

(1) *Contract financing payment* has the meaning given in FAR 32.001.

(2) *Designated agency office* has the meaning given in 5 CFR 1315.2(m).

(3) *Electronic form* means an automated system transmitting information electronically according to the

Accepted electronic data transmission methods and formats identified in paragraph (c) of this clause. Facsimile, email, and scanned documents are not acceptable electronic forms for submission of payment requests.

(4) *Invoice payment* has the meaning given in FAR 32.001.

(5) *Payment request* means any request for contract financing payment or invoice payment submitted by the contractor under this contract.

(b) *Electronic payment requests.* Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this clause, the contractor shall submit payment requests in electronic form. Purchases paid with a Government-wide commercial purchase card are considered to be an electronic transaction for purposes of this rule, and therefore no additional electronic invoice submission is required.

(c) *Data transmission.* A contractor must ensure that the data transmission method and format are through one of the following:

(1) VA's Electronic Invoice Presentment and Payment System. (See Web site at <http://www.fsc.va.gov/einvoice.asp>.)

(2) Any system that conforms to the X12 electronic data interchange (EDI) formats established by the Accredited Standards Center (ASC) and chartered by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). The X12 EDI Web site (<http://www.x12.org>) includes additional information on EDI 810 and 811 formats.

(d) *Invoice requirements.* Invoices shall comply with FAR 32.905.

(e) *Exceptions.* If, based on one of the circumstances below, the contracting officer directs that payment requests be made by mail, the contractor shall submit payment requests by mail through the United States Postal Service to the designated agency office. Submission of payment requests by mail may be required for:

(1) Awards made to foreign vendors for work performed outside the United States;

(2) Classified contracts or purchases when electronic submission and processing of payment requests could compromise the safeguarding of classified or privacy information;

(3) Contracts awarded by contracting officers in the conduct of emergency operations, such as responses to national emergencies;

(4) Solicitations or contracts in which the designated agency office is a VA entity other than the VA Financial Services Center in Austin, Texas; or

(5) Solicitations or contracts in which the VA designated agency office does not have electronic invoicing capability as described above.

(End of Clause)

C.6 VAAR 852.246-70 GUARANTEE (JAN 2008)

The contractor guarantees the equipment against defective material, workmanship and performance for a period of one (1) year, said guarantee to run from date of acceptance of the equipment by the Government. The contractor agrees to furnish, without cost to the Government, replacement of all parts and material that are found to be defective during the guarantee period. Replacement of material and parts will be furnished to the Government at the point of installation, if installation is within the continental United States, or f.o.b. the continental U.S. port to be designated by the contracting officer if installation is outside of the continental United States. Cost of installation of replacement material and parts shall be borne by the contractor.

(End of Clause)

C.7 VAAR 852.246-71 INSPECTION (JAN 2008)

Rejected goods will be held subject to contractor's order for not more than 15 days, after which the rejected merchandise will be returned to the contractor's address at his/her risk and expense. Expenses

incident to the examination and testing of materials or supplies that have been rejected will be charged to the contractor's account.

(End of Clause)

(End of Addendum to 52.212-4)

C.8 52.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 2018)

(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)).

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

(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)).

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

(26) 52.222-19, Child Labor—Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (JAN 2018) (E.O. 13126).

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

(28) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (SEP 2016) (E.O. 11246).

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

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

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

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

(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).

(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)(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.)

(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.)

(36) 52.223-11, Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(37) 52.223-12, Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(38)(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.

(39)(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.

(40) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (DEC 2007)(42 U.S.C. 8259b).

(41)(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.

(42) 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (AUG 2011)

(43) 52.223-20, Aerosols (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

(44) 52.223-21, Foams (JUN 2016) (E.O. 13693).

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

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

(46) 52.225-1, Buy American—Supplies (MAY 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83).

(47)(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.

(48) 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (OCT 2016) (19 U.S.C. 2501, et seq., 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).

(49) 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).

(50) 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).

(51) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

(52) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

(53) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Items (Feb 2002) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).

(54) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Items (JAN 2017) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).

(55) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

(56) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

(57) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (MAY 2014) (31 U.S.C. 3332).

(58) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).

(59) 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (JAN 2017)(15 U.S.C. 637(d)(12)).

(60)(i) 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).

(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) 52.219-8, 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) 52.222-35, 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) 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).

(xv) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (OCT 2015) (E. O. 12989).

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

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

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

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

(xix) 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).

(xx) 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.

(xxi) 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)

SECTION D - CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS, OR ATTACHMENTS

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SECTION E - SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

ADDENDUM to FAR 52.212-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS

Provisions that are incorporated by reference (by Citation Number, Title, and Date), have the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available.

The following provisions are incorporated into 52.212-1 as an addendum to this solicitation:

E.1 52.252-1 SOLICITATION PROVISIONS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions 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. The offeror is cautioned that the listed provisions may include blocks that must be completed by the offeror and submitted with its quotation or offer. In lieu of submitting the full text of those provisions, the offeror may identify the provision by paragraph identifier and provide the appropriate information with its quotation or offer. Also, the full text of a solicitation provision may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

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

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

<u>FAR Number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
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E.2 VAAR 852.215-70 SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED AND VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS EVALUATION FACTORS (JUL 2016)(DEVIATION)

(a) In an effort to achieve socioeconomic small business goals, depending on the evaluation factors included in the solicitation, VA shall evaluate offerors based on their service-disabled veteran-owned or veteran-owned small business status and their proposed use of eligible service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses and veteran-owned small businesses as subcontractors.

(b) Eligible service-disabled veteran-owned offerors will receive full credit, and offerors qualifying as veteran-owned small businesses will receive partial credit for the Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned and

Veteran-owned Small Business Status evaluation factor. To receive credit, an offeror must be registered and verified in Vendor Information Pages (VIP) database (<https://www.vip.vetbiz.gov>).

(c) Non-veteran offerors proposing to use service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses or veteran-owned small businesses as subcontractors will receive some consideration under this evaluation factor. Offerors must state in their proposals the names of the SDVOSBs and VOSBs with whom they intend to subcontract and provide a brief description of the proposed subcontracts and the approximate dollar values of the proposed subcontracts. In addition, the proposed subcontractors must be registered and verified in the VetBiz.gov VIP database (<https://www.vip.vetbiz.gov>).

(End of Provision)

(End of Addendum to 52.212-1)

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

(a) The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. The following factors shall be used to evaluate offers:

- Technical (Brand name only)
- Past performance
- Price

Technical and past performance, when combined, are significantly more important than price.

(b) *Options*. The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. The Government may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the option prices are significantly unbalanced. Evaluation of options shall not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

(c) 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)