

JUSTIFICATION FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION
GFM Unidata Software Maintenance Renewal

1. CONTRACTING ACTIVITY.

United States Transportation Command, DPO Support Division, USTRANSCOM/
TCAQ-D, 508 Scott Drive, Building 1900, Scott AFB IL 62225-5357.

2. NATURE AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF ACTION BEING APPROVED.

SDDC requires other than full and open competition for the renewal of the Unidata software maintenance for the Global Freight Management (GFM) Program from Rocket Software LLC, 77 Fourth Avenue., Waltham, MA 02451-1468. This constitutes a firm-fixed price contract action to continue services currently provided under order number HTC711-12-M-D007, which was awarded as a sole source award. Award of a firm-fixed price contract is anticipated.

3. DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICES REQUIRED TO MEET THE AGENCY'S NEEDS.

The purpose of this requirement is to provide Unidata Software maintenance in support of the GFM program. This software maintenance contract will provide software patches, maintenance releases, and software upgrades which help prevent GFM system failures. The total estimated value of this acquisition is _____ with a period of performance of 16 May 2013 to 15 May 2014.

4. STATUTORY AUTHORITY PERMITTING OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION.

10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(1) Only One Responsible Source & FAR 6.302-1 Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies or Services Will Satisfy Agency Requirements.

5. DEMONSTRATION THAT THE PROPOSED CONTRACTOR'S UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS OR NATURE OF THE ACQUISITION REQUIRES THE USE OF THE AUTHORITY CITED.

Rocket Software, LLC, is the only known supplier of Unidata software maintenance as required by the Surface Cargo Systems Branch of HQ Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (SDDC), Global Freight Systems (GFM). The Unidata software is a proprietary product of Rocket Software. There are no similar products available through other companies that will satisfy the Government's requirement. This acquisition is for technical support for the Unidata. Unidata has been a critical COTS component of GFM since its start in the late 1980s. At the core of GFM are the UniData database engine and about 400,000 lines of UniBasic Software Lines of Code (SLOC). While GFM can operate in an extremely limited fashion without the presence of UniData and UniBasic, it would not be able to operate its core functionality. No company other than Rocket Software can provide the necessary software products for the requirement.

FOB Point is Destination, Scott AFB, IL. Delivery location is HQ SDDC, 508 Scott Drive, BLDG. 1900W, Scott AFB, IL 62225. .

6. DESCRIPTION OF EFFORTS MADE TO ENSURE THAT OFFERS ARE SOLICITED FROM AS MANY POTENTIAL SOURCES AS PRACTICABLE.

N/A

7. DETERMINATION BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER THAT THE ANTICIPATED COST TO THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE FAIR AND REASONABLE.

The Contracting Officer is unable to make this determination until after receipt of the quote for this requirement; however, commercial pricing and previous prices paid for these and similar services will be reviewed in order to determine a fair and reasonable cost.

8. DESCRIPTION OF THE MARKET RESEARCH CONDUCTED AND THE RESULTS, OR A STATEMENT OF THE REASON MARKET RESEARCH WAS NOT CONDUCTED.

Market research was not conducted. Per the letter provided to the Government by Rocket Software on 13 March 2013, "License sales and Software Subscription and Support for U2 programs are restricted to Rocket Software directly. Therefore all renewals must remain with Rocket Software, not through a reseller. Due to these license restrictions, Rocket Software is the sole source for software support renewal on your UniVerse licenses."

Although market research was not conducted, findings in an investigation of UniVerse renewals, does support Rocket's statement.

9. ANY OTHER FACTS SUPPORTING THE USE OF OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION.

The GFM system is unable to function without the use of Unidata. Use of a different product would require a massive redesign of GFM that would be cost prohibitive to the Government and which would cause major schedule disruption and possible mission failure.

10. A LISTING OF SOURCES, IF ANY, THAT EXPRESSED, IN WRITING, AN INTEREST IN THE ACQUISITION.

None.

11. A STATEMENT OF THE ACTIONS, IF ANY, THE AGENCY MAY TAKE TO REMOVE OR OVERCOME ANY BARRIERS TO COMPETITION BEFORE MAKING ANY SUBSEQUENT ACQUISITION FOR THE SUPPLIES OR SERVICES REQUIRED.

Based on the information and conclusions drawn in paragraphs three, five, and nine of this document, we conclude that there are no other offerors able to provide the services needed.

12. CONTRACTING OFFICER'S CERTIFICATION.

I certify that the data supporting the recommended use of other than full and open competition is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LISA A. GROSS

14 May '13
Date

13. TECHNICAL/REQUIREMENTS PERSONNEL CERTIFICATION.

I certify that the data supporting the recommended use of other than full and open competition is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JESSE ADKINS
GFM IT Specialist, SDDC/G6

14 MAY 13
Date