BRAND NAME JUSTIFICATION FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION
GFM Unidata Recoverable File System (RFS)
Implementation

1. **CONTRACTING ACTIVITY.**

United States Transportation Command, DPO Support Division, USTRANSCOM/TCAQ-D, 508 Scott Drive, Building 1961, Scott AFB IL 62225-5357.

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

SDDC requires other than full and open competition for the implementation of the Recoverable File System (RFS) utility in support of Unidata software used by the Global Freight Management (GFM) Program from Rocket Software LLC, 4700 S. Syracuse, Suite 400, Denver, CO 80237. This constitutes a firm fixed price contract action to provide configuration and implementation services as a "one time purchase" 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.**

Tasks included in this effort will include installation, configuration and implementation of the RFS utility by Rocket Software technical experts on one production and one test system. The total estimated value of this acquisition is with a period of performance of 1 June 2011 to 31 Jan 2012.

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

FAR 6.302-1 (a) (2), Only One Responsible Source.

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

SDDC currently operates and maintains the GFM system on behalf of all DOD agencies and activities worldwide. This system is the capstone automated execution system of the Defense Transportation System (DTS) for the movement of domestic freight, providing DoD traffic managers with an information management system for the procurement of commercial freight transportation services in peacetime and in wartime, ensuring readiness. Unidata is a critical component of the GFM system. The RFS utility is provided with our software license, but requires specific technical expertise to configure and implement. This expertise is only available from Rocket Software who has personnel with the unique technical skills to perform this implementation. Without the RFS utility the Unidata software has no ability to recover from data loss which could result in GFM incurring massive costs, risks, and prolonged mission failure.

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

A combined synopsis/solicitation will be posted to Fedbizopps IAW FAR 5.102 (a) (1) and FAR 5.102 (a) (6).

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 proposal for this requirement; however, commercial pricing, competition, 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 conducted via the internet and Rocket Software's website confirmed the information provided by Rocket Software that they are the sole providers of software licenses and technical skills required to configure RFS for use with Unidata.

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

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.

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26 May 2011
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.

Donna J. Cline
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25 Apr 2011
Date