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IN REPLY REFER TO:

**JUSTIFICATION AND APPROVAL**  
**FOR USE OF OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION- BRAND NAME**

1. **Identification of Requesting Agency and Contracting Office:**

- a. Agency Name: Superintendent, Naval Post Graduate School (NPS)  
Information Technology Center (ITACS)  
555 Dyer's Rd, Bldg 330 RM 130  
Monterey CA 93943
- b. Contracting Activity: Naval Inventory Control Point (NAVICP)  
5450 Carlisle Pike  
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2. **Description of Action Being Approved for Supplies:**

This approval is for yearly maintenance for the network equipment. This action will provide the Naval Postgraduate School Network Operations the ability to maintain the network equipment for 10 GIG and IPV6 capability, and Wireless deployment for academic use.

3. **Identification of Statutory Authority:**

(a) Pursuant to FAR 6.302-1(c), an acquisition that uses a brand name description or other purchase description to specify a particular brand name, product, or feature of a product, peculiar to one manufacturer does not provide for full and open competition regardless of the number of sources solicited. It shall be justified and approved in accordance with FAR 6.303 and 6.304.

(b) The use of a brand name description in this acquisition is essential to the Government's requirements, thereby precluding consideration of a product manufactured by another company. The hardware is a commercial item that has been sold, leased, or licensed to the general public.

4. **Description of Hardware:**

Maintenance support for a 10 GIG and IPv6 capable network

**5. Demonstration of Contractor's Unique Qualifications:**

This procurement is for an information technology maintenance solution as opposed to a purchase of a simple commodity. It is the intent of the requestor to purchase specific maintenance for network equipment and configurations in support of the 10 GIG, increased support for data and voice services, and IPv6 network. These systems must be kept up-to date to ensure the network is able to provide the foundation for essential services and research at the Naval Postgraduate School.

The NPS Network Operations has standardizing on Brocade/Foundry NetIron MLX, FastIron SX, FGS/FLS and FES systems and configurations. A maintenance contract for support services for hardware replacement and configuration software for this equipment provides continued support for a 10 GIG and IPv6 capable network.

**6. Government wide Point of Entry Notice/potential source:**

The proposed contract was posted at the Government wide Point of Entry.

**7. Determination of Best Value:**

These items are being purchased in accordance with FAR Parts 13.5 (Test Program for Certain Commercial Items). All applicable procurement regulations have been followed. The Contracting Officer will determine the prices to be fair and reasonable.

**8. Description of Market Research Conducted:**

In the previous contract with Blue Tech (FISC San Diego Contract Ref # N00244-08-C-0980), it was determined that Brocade/Foundry maintenance for Brocade/Foundry equipment that provides the network services and scalability to NPS's present and future needs. Extensive market research was done during this procurement process and numerous commercial offerings were evaluated. Based on the results, it was determined that direct Brocade/Foundry equipment maintenance is the best value.

**9. Other facts supporting the use of other than full and open competition:**

None at this time.

**10. Listing of interested sources:**

Foundry Networks  
Trofholz Technologies  
CDW-G  
Federal Technology Solutions Inc

**11. Actions to remove barriers to competition:**

Future orders will be evaluated to determine whether an alternate brand can be used. Evaluations and technical improvements may make other products suitable for future procurements.

**12. Statement of Delivery Requirements:**

a. Delivery Requirements: Base year of 1 October 09 through 30 September 10 and two 1 year options.

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c. Reference to Approved Acquisition Plan: Not Required.

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