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JUSTIFICATION FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION **BRAND NAME SPECIFIC**

Requisition number: N00104-10-Q-Q503

Technician name: Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center, William Reckas

Contracting Officer: NAVICP, Patricia Hirsch

1. Identification of the Agency and Contracting Activity:

A. Agency Name: Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center
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Monterey, CA 93943-5501

B. Contracting Activity: Department of the Navy
Naval Inventory Control Point-Mechanicsburg
ADP Modernization Contracting Department
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055-0788

2. Nature/Description of the Action:

This Brand Name Specific justification is for the negotiation and award of a contract using other than competitive procedures. A Firm Fixed Price contract arrangement is contemplated for the proposed contract vehicle; approx. value \$ [REDACTED] with anticipated award date NLT 1 May 2010. The OEM for this contract action is Adaptive Computing Enterprises, Inc., 1656 S. East Bay Blvd., Suite 300, Provo, UT 84606. Adaptive sells direct and through distributor / resellers.

The proposed action is to convert the Moab software term licenses to perpetual licenses and purchase maintenance support for this year with four option years.

3. Description of the Supplies/Services:

The FLENUMMETOCCEN A2 system ([REDACTED]) uses Moab Cluster Suite software as a workload manager. The existing 766 term licenses will be converted to perpetual licenses to reduce the long term maintenance fees. The ensuing software maintenance support will provide updates, bug fixes, and security fixes on an annual basis.

4. Identification of the Statutory Authority:

10 U.S.C. 2304 (c)(1) – Only one source and no other supplies or services will satisfy agency requirements.

5. Demonstration of Contractor's Unique Requirements:

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.

The use of a brand name description in this acquisition is essential to the Government's requirements, thereby precluding consideration of other vendors.

Substantial technical research and system testing has been conducted and it has been determined that Adaptive Computing Enterprises, Inc. is the only known manufacturer of software with the newest technology, that has the ability to integrate seamlessly with the current FLENUMMETOCCEN HPC and data center, thereby meeting the Command's unique requirements with the lowest amount of operational risk. FLENUMMETOCCEN's supercomputers are at the heart of its mission-critical operational capability. The Adaptive Computing Enterprises, Inc. product will enhance and blend into FLENUMMETOCCEN's existing computing infrastructure, extending and expanding the Command's capabilities in response to increased service demands. FLENUMMETOCCEN currently has the Moab software installed and needs to purchase the proposed Adaptive Computing Enterprises, Inc. assets and services to meet growing requirements with the lowest amount of operational risk.

The proposed software components enhance support of the Command's existing HPC suite and data center. Assuring the operational capabilities of the A2 architecture meet performance and IA standards is essential to meeting the Command's mission. Expanded competition that resulted in selection of non-Adaptive Computing Enterprises software would provide no demonstrable value, would cause unacceptable delays in sustaining and improving FLENUMMETOCCEN's critical operations, and would require duplicate costs already expended in arriving at the current level of operational efficiency and stability.

6. Determination of Best Value:

These items are being purchased in accordance with FAR Part 13.5 (Simplified Acquisition Procedures). In addition to an Independent Government Estimate (IGE) that has been provided, backup documentation, such as quotes, will be used by the Contract Specialist to determine price reasonableness. The Contracting Officer determines that this procurement will be the best value to the Government. Fair and price reasonableness will be justified based on competition.

7. Description of Market Survey:

Market research has revealed that there are small and large business resellers for Adaptive Computing Enterprises software and support. Adaptive is familiar with existing FLENUMMETOCCEN systems and has assisted in the installation and integration of their software in the past. Using Adaptive Computing Enterprises software would ensure the continued smooth operation of the high performance clusters.

8. Other Supporting Facts:

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 software is a commercial item that has been sold, leased, or licensed to the general public. The Adaptive Computing Enterprises software will come under FLENUMMETOCCEN's present installed base of compute nodes. FLENUMMETOCCEN personnel are accustomed to working with Adaptive Computing Enterprises products, minimizing the need to completely re-learn an entirely new system. FLENUMMETOCCEN can also incorporate the new system into its present maintenance support program.

9. Actions to Remove Barriers to Competition:

None at this time.

10. Point of Contact for this Procurement:

Please direct your questions to:

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TECHNICAL AND REQUIREMENT CERTIFICATION REQUIRED BY FAR 6.303 1(b):

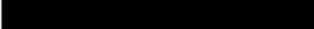
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William Reckas
HPC Operations


4/16/10
Date

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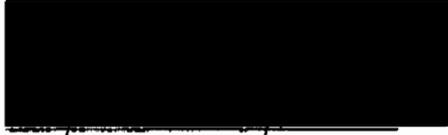

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Date

CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION REQUIRED BY FAR 8.405-6(2)(e)(ix)

I certify that this justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Patricia Hirsch
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4/19/2010
Date

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APPROVAL REQUIRED BY FAR 8.405-6(O)(1)-(4)*

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