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X Description of the item or service required, the estimated cost, and required delivery date.

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The requested material or service represents the minimum requirements of the government.

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The material/service must be compatible in all aspects (form, fit and function) with existing systems presently installed/performing. Describe the equipment/function you have now and how the new item/service must coordinate, connect, or interface with the existing system.

The service shall be browser-based and shall be available over the Internet. The service shall be able to be accessed from overseas locations including Hawaii and locations in Asia, Europe and Africa. The service shall be compatible with all versions of Internet Explorer.

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