

1. What is the period of performance?

A1. Work will commence upon award of contract for no more than 12 weeks: 4 weeks for the DREN and 8 weeks for the SIPRNet, with specific schedules to be determined shortly after contact award.

2. Is there an incumbent? If so who?

A2. There was a previous contract for Security, Test, and Evaluation services on a different network at NPS. The incumbent on that contract is Taygeta Scientific, Inc.

3. What was the previous contract number?

A3. The previous contract number for the Security, Test, and Evaluation Services was N62271-14-M-1240.

4. What was the previous contract awarded for?

A4. The award amount of contract N62271-14-M-1240 was \$124,928.00.

5. What is the place of performance? (i.e. on-site, contractor's site)

A5. Performance on-site in Monterey, CA is required.

6. The solicitation mentions the max duration of the project, but it does not indicate when you intend the project to start. Can you give me an idea of when you expect to complete review of bids, begin contract negotiations with the winning bidder, and when you expect the winning bidder to start work?

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7. Our employees are former DoD infosec personnel and have current background investigations, but our company Facilities Clearance is not yet finished, so we cannot hold the clearances for our own personnel. Will NPS hold the clearances for our personnel assigned to this contract?

A7. Facility clearance is required

8. Do you intend one company to do both DREN and SIPR? Or are you considering splitting the work between multiple bidders? We will gladly do both, but depending on your response to question #1, we may not be able to do the SIPR work.

A8. The government does not intend to split the work between multiple bidders.

9. Can you please clarify the quantities of the platforms, databases, applications listed in Tables 1 and 2 of the SOW so that we can determine LOE for the effort?

A9. Both networks are relatively small, consisting of about 80 pieces of equipment (workstations, servers, network gear) on each enclave, sampling will be used to include at least one of each host.

10. Is there any possibility you can please forward me a sample of what you are looking for in answering this solicitation?

A10. No.

11. If a company does not have a secret level DD254 FCL, will that disqualify the vendor, and / or would the customer consider sponsorship for a Secret level DD254 FCL sponsorship if the company comes in at a best value for best technical background?

A11. DD254 is required.