

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT			1. CONTRACT ID CODE	PAGE OF PAGES	
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2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. 0002	3. EFFECTIVE DATE 11-Feb-2003	4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO. W81W3G-2324-5905		5. PROJECT NO.(If applicable)	
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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., Street, County, State and Zip Code)			X	9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. DACW31-03-T-0018	
			X	9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 14-Jan-2003	
				10A. MOD. OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.	
				10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)	
CODE	FACILITY CODE		11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is extended, <input type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offer must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning <u>1</u> copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.					
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)					
13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.					
A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.					
B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(B).					
C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:					
D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)					
E. IMPORTANT: Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.					
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.) SOLICITATION NO. DACW31-03-T-0018 FOR GRASS MOWING SERVICES AT RAYSTOWN LAKE PROJECT, HESSTON, PA OS HEREBY AMENDED PER THE ATTACHED SUMMARY OF CHANGES. SOLICITATION IS EXTENDED: DUE DATE - FEBRUARY 20, 2003 AT 2:00PM					
Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.					
15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)			16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)		
			TEL: _____ EMAIL: _____		
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		16C. DATE SIGNED	
_____ (Signature of person authorized to sign)		BY _____ (Signature of Contracting Officer)		11-Feb-2003	

SECTION SF 30 BLOCK 14 CONTINUATION PAGE

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

SECTION SF 1449 - CONTINUATION SHEET

SOLICITATION/CONTRACT FORM

The required response date/time has changed from 15-Feb-2003 02:00 PM to 20-Feb-2003 02:00 PM.

The following have been added by full text:

AMENDMENT 0002

The solicitation bid opening is extended to February 20, 2003 at 2:00 p.m.

1) **The bid items for** the Dam include A, B, and C mowings and should have been broken out separately so we can provide invoice information. Could you add sub-categories for mowing classes for the base and option years. This is only for item Dam Area 0002AA; 0002AB, 0002AC, 0002AD, and 0002AE. See example below. Each class can be a sub-item or a separate bid item. (see example below).

ITEM NO SUPPLIES/SERVICES AMOUNT	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE
0002AA 1 Lump Sum			
BASE YEAR - DAM AREA MOWING			
CLASS A			_____
CLASS B			_____
CLASS C			_____

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2) The correct insurance clause (Section H) should read:

The Contractor shall procure and maintain during the entire period of his performance under this contract the following minimum insurance in accordance with the Contract Clause entitled "Insurance-Work on a Government Installation". Workmen's Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance. Workmen's Compensation and Occupational Disease Coverage in accordance with statutory limits. Employers' Liability coverage with a minimum limit of \$100,000.

Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance:

Bodily Injury coverage with minimum limits of \$200,000 per person and \$500,000 per occurrence. Property Damage Coverage with a minimum limit of \$20,000 per occurrence.

3) See Section below for question and answer from pre-bid meeting.

Questions and Answer Section:

Pre-Bid Meeting for Grass Mowing Services at Raystown Lake DACW31-03-T-0018.

On February 6th, 2003, a pre-bid meeting was held for potential bidders of the mowing service contract. A presentation and review of the contract was performed followed by site visit and field inspection of the work area. The following are questions that were asked during the meeting and are provided to clarify those questions and make public items discussed during the meeting.

1. Question: Can we pay a higher wage than specified by the Service Contract Wage Rate?

*Answer: The Service Contract Wage Rate specifies the **minimum** that an employee can be paid per work category.*

2. Question: Do you expect a growth in the scope of services for this contract?

Answer: We do not expect any substantial additions to either the geographical area, nor frequency of services stipulated in this contract over the course of the contract length.

3. Question: Does the cost per bid item have a determination on the award of the contract?

Answer: The government will award the contract to the responsible low bidder (based on 5 years (base and 4 options)). Frontloading, (bids with the first year substantially out of sync with the remaining years) as well as bids significantly out of sync with the government estimate may be called into question by the government. The low bid will be based on the sum of the contract (base year and 4 options); not each bid item evaluated independently. However, bid items out of sync with each other may be questioned to insure that a contractor understands the full range of services and performance requirements for each area.

4. Question: Please explain the 35% in the Deviation of Quantity clause in Section C.6.2 under Quantities.

Answer: As an example, Class A mowings are scheduled for 11 cycles in a given performance year. Each area is designated as a separate line or bid item. Should the government request the contractor to perform 2 additional mowings in any given area, (an increase of 18%) the government would expect those additional mowings to be performed with an increase in cost of that line item as bid. For example, an area is bid at \$100.00 per mowing for 11 mowings. This would equal \$1,100.00 over the performance year of the contract. In this scenario, each additional mowing would also be performed at \$100.00 per mowing for a total yearly fee of \$1,300.00 for that bid item.

5. Question: If the mowing cycle has been completed and no workers are on site, is there a requirement for the on-site supervisor to be on site?

Answer: The on-site supervisor is required only to be on site while a crew is actively working. However, the Corps does desire that we can reach a contractor or contractor representatives during business hours to discuss terms of the contract or other logistical items during those periods of time that a mowing crew is not active.

6. What waterborne facilities might the government make available to clean equipment after use?

Answer: The area specified for Contractor storage does not have water available. As such, the government will not make facilities available to wash equipment.

7. Question: Please clarify Section 12.2. concerning tractor HP, ROP and Seatbelts etc.

Answer: These requirements are derived from the Corps of Engineers Safety Manual. Specific determinations of appropriate safety equipment on lawn maintenance, (and other) equipment can be answered by Thomas K. Waters, Acting Chief of Safety, Baltimore District. Mr. Waters can be reached at 410-962-4100.

8. Question: There is a conflict between the text and tables for the month of Class C mowing.

Answer: The class C mowing will occur in July as presented in the table.

9. Question: What was the cost of the 2002 contract?

Answer: The cost for mowing services conducted in calendar Year 02 was \$ 94,603.

10. Question: Where should the contract bids be sent?

Answer: All bids should be sent:

Regular mail: *U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Contracting Division, Operation Branch, Attn: William Epps, P.O. Box 1715, Baltimore, MD 21203-1715.*

Overnight Express or Hand Deliveries: *U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Contracting Division, Operation Branch, Attn: William Epps, 10 South Howard Street, Room 7000, Baltimore, MD 21201-2530 (410)962-5610*

11. Question: How are the berms defined where guard rails post are beyond 48 inches?

*Answer: Berms to access roads are to be defined as 48 inches from the pavement or to 12 inches beyond the guard rail post, whichever is greater. Acreage for berm work is **not** included in area acreage for each area.*

12. Question: Which pages do we write the bids on?

*Answer: Bid cost should be entered on Section SF 1449 - CONTINUATION SHEET listed as page 2 of 50. Bids should **not** be submitted on sheet with the acreage amounts listed.*

13. Question: If the work crew from the previous contract are re-hired, are there benefits such as vacation that carry over from the last contract?

Answer: The Service Contract Act of 1965 (29 CFR 4) General Provisions are provided in the contract, describe details for wage rates, health and welfare benefits and vacation time for employees.

14. Question: What electrical service is provided for the contractor's use.

Answer: A standard 20 amp, 110 volt, duplex receptacle is available for the contractor's use at the designated contractor equipment storage area.

(End of Summary of Changes)