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Prospective Offerors:

The Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration (DOE/NNSA) is providing this draft Request for Proposals (RFP) entitled "Management and Operating Contract of the Y-12 National Security Complex (Y-12) and Pantex Plant (Pantex), with an option for Savannah River Tritium Operations (SRTO)" (DE-SOL-0001458) for purposes of obtaining information through communications with industry, thereby assisting DOE/NNSA in improving its RFP as to purpose, content, clarity, correctness, and completeness from the industry perspective.

This solicitation includes two Contract Line Item Numbers (CLINs). CLIN 0001 covers the management and operation of Pantex and Y-12 for the initial five year base with sub-CLINs for three option periods, transition of SRTO, and inclusion of SRTO, respectively. CLIN 0002 covers the project management of the Y-12 Uranium Processing Facility (UPF).

DOE/NNSA will utilize comments to the draft RFP to: (1) determine interest in this solicitation; (2) identify improvements to the RFP; and (3) identify or clarify what may appear to be problems, conflicts, or obstacles for an institution or organization that might otherwise wish to become a potential offeror. Proposals are not requested at this time and will not be considered. The draft RFP includes a Base Term start date of January 1, 2013, for purposes of review. The dates will be adjusted in the final RFP. The comment period for this draft RFP will be from July 21, 2011 through September 19, 2011. The Contractor selected will be a Management and Operating Contractor as defined in Federal Acquisition Regulation Part 17.6 and DOE Acquisition Regulation Part 917.6.

Prospective offerors are requested to examine carefully and provide comment on the entire draft RFP, including:

The feasibility of accomplishing all Transition Term activities specified within Human Resources (Section J, Appendix A, Chapter III, Human Resources).

Whether the inclusion of the SRTO option is an impediment to bidding on this contract.

The inclusion of Y-12 UPF Project Management as a separate CLIN, with a separate fee structure.

Proposal instructions, evaluation criteria, and maximum number of proposal pages.

How the evaluation criteria impacts competition positively or negatively, as NNSA is seeking robust competition.

How the decision concerning the location(s) of the Contractor's home office should be made.

The fee structure for CLIN 0001, including Fixed Fee, range of Total Available Fee, Cost Savings Incentive Fee, and Options for additional term.

Any Contract requirements that are impediments to effective and efficient operations, including obtaining cost savings.

The information being requested does not constitute a commitment on the part of the Government to award a contract, nor to pay for any costs incurred as a result in replying to this notice. This notice should not be construed as a commitment by the Government for any purpose.

The NNSA has established a website at <http://www.doeal.gov/MOContracts/>, which will be utilized to disseminate information relating to this acquisition. Responders are encouraged to monitor this website because it will be the principal distribution medium for the draft RFP, notices, changes, questions & answers, reading room material, pre-solicitation conference, and one-on-one meetings as well as any other pertinent information. The entire draft RFP will be made available on the Government Point of Entry (GPE) website at <http://www.fedbizopps.gov> and the NNSA website. Paper copies will not be available.

Prospective offerors are requested to submit e-mail questions or comments to Daniel J. Saiz, Contracting Officer, at [SEB1@doeal.gov](mailto:SEB1@doeal.gov) concerning the draft RFP on or before 5:00pm MST, September 19, 2011. Written inputs submitted to this address, on or before this date, relative to this draft RFP will be considered and may be posted to the NNSA website established for this solicitation. The Contracting Officer is the sole point of contact during the conduct of this procurement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel Saiz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D" and "S".

Daniel J. Saiz  
Contracting Officer

Enclosure:  
RFP No. DE-SOL-0001458