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AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION

AMENDMENT NO.: 02	EFFECTIVE DATE: February 15, 2008
SUBCONTRACTOR NAME AND ADDRESS: COMPETITIVE	ISSUED BY: SAIC-FREDERICK, INC. RESEARCH SUBCONTRACTS P.O. BOX B FREDERICK, MD 21702
AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO: S08-090 DATED: January 31, 2008	MODIFICATION OF SUBCONTRACTNO.: N/A DATED:

THIS BLOCK APPLIES ONLY TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth below. The hour and date specified for receipt of offers is extended, is not extended. Offerors must acknowledge receipt of this amendment, by referencing the Amendment No. and Date in Block 15 of the Solicitation for each copy of the offer submitted.

FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ANY AMENDMENT(S) MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER.

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT

The purpose of this amendment is to incorporate questions received with associated responses in reference to Solicitation S08-090.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS SOLICITATION REMAIN UNCHANGED.

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OFFEROR/SUBCONTRACTOR		SAIC Frederick, Inc.	
BY SIGNATURE NOT REQUIRED		BY <i>E B Anderson</i>	
NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER	DATE SIGNED	CONTRACTING OFFICER	DATE SIGNED
SIGNATURE NOT REQUIRED		Shannon Jackson Supervisor, Research Subcontracts	February 15, 2008



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1. Is it possible to have discussions with offerors to this solicitation regarding partnering collaboration?

Response: Yes; however, information pertaining to potential bidders will not be disclosed.

2. Attachment 2 referenced in Section B.3. is a worksheet rather than an approved budget. We will need clarification as to the approved budget, or at a minimum the anticipated scope in terms of FTE requirements, in order to produce the draft project plan and cost proposal.

Response: Attachment 2A – Cost Estimate Worksheet for the Base Period is to be completed. The total amount from Attachment 2A is to be inserted in Article B.3. Prices/Costs. This will become the approved subcontract budget for the selected subcontractor. It is inappropriate to provide the Government's Estimated Budget. Offerors are to propose the total hours of professional services needed to meet the objective and scope of work.

It is anticipated that the successful offeror(s) will adopt and deploy approximately 5-15 caBIG tools during the subcontract base period. The majority of the caBIG tools deployed would consist of the two software bundles: Life Science Distribution and Clinical Trials Framework. A portion of the adoption activity could involve supporting the creation and deployment of a functioning grid node at the adopter sites.

These estimates are provided for planning purposes only and may be subject to adjustment by SAIC-F. In the event that the total number of adoption and deployment activities increases or decreases during the subcontract period of performance and impacts the total price, hours proposed or other significant factor, the subcontract may be bilaterally modified by the parties to accommodate such a change.

For the purposes of equality and consistency in the proposal review process, please base your proposal on 10 caBIG tool adoptions and deployments across the two software bundles provided above.



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3. Section D indicates that the contractor must have demonstrated knowledge and/or expertise in a number of areas. It would be useful to have some advice as to the form and extent of evidence for these demonstrations that you expect to see in the proposal.

Response: It is expected that the selected subcontractor has demonstrated a high level of understanding of the caBIG program, understanding and capability of using the tools developed by caBIG program, and technical capability to provide hands-on-guidance to the user community.

Demonstrated expertise shall be included in the offerors technical proposal by providing the required information as instructed in Article L.3. Volume II – Technical Proposal. Offerors shall also provide a minimum of three (3) references for services similar to those described in the Statement of Work, preferably with the Federal Government. See Evaluation Factors (3) Past Performance.

It is up to the individual offerors to best demonstrate their expertise and capabilities in the manner they see fit.

4. I could find no anticipated start date. Even an approximate date would be useful in preparing the base period plan and budget.

Response: Offerors are to indicate an anticipated start date along with the availability of key personnel that will be assigned to this project.

5. Could you provide clarification on the intent of this solicitation and if it relates to the Enterprise Support Network (ESN)? I am trying to understand the objective and the language in the document looks very much like the Service Center description on the ESN webpage.

Response: This solicitation is separate from the opportunities that may come up as part of Enterprise Support Network. It is likely that there will be some activities that are part of this task which may be similar to the activities proposed under ESN.