

# Request for Quote (SOL-119379- 75F40123Q00434) for Procurement of One (1) each Autosampler

This is a combined synopsis/solicitation for commercial supplies prepared in accordance with the format in FAR 12.6 as supplemented with FAR 13 and additional information included in this notice. The incorporated provisions and clauses are those in effect through Federal Acquisition Circular (FAC) 2023-04.

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT CONSTITUTES THE ONLY SOLICITATION AND A SEPARATE SOLICITATION WILL NOT BE ISSUED.

The solicitation number for this acquisition is SOL-119379- 75F40123Q00434 and is being issued as a Request for Quote (RFQ). The NAICS Code for this solicitation is 334516 and the Small Business Size Standard is 1,000 employees. The requirement will be awarded as Firm-Fixed Price and 100% small business set-aside. Prospective Offerors are responsible for downloading the solicitation and any amendments from SAM.gov. The Government reserves the right to award an order without discussions if the Contracting Officer determines that the initial offer is providing the Best Value and discussions are not necessary.

The Government intends to issue a Purchase Order.

## A. BACKGROUND AND OVERVIEW

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Office of Regulatory Science (ORS), Division of Bioanalytical Chemistry (DBC), Chemical Contaminants Branch (CHCB) requires the purchase of a compact and mobile autosampler to efficiently deliver liquid samples to a FDA owned ICP-MS which is Thermo-Finnigan Element 2 High Resolution Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometer (HR-ICP-MS). The software used to control the autosampler shall be 100% compatible with the mass spectrometer. The size of the autosampler shall fit in the small space available next to the Thermo-Finnigan Element 2 HR-ICP-MS. This autosampler shall increase productivity by incorporating high-speed vacuum sample loading, thus minimizing sample uptake time while providing fast washout. The proposed equipment is required to continue and to expand the efforts of the US FDA to protect and promote public health by assisting in the efficient detection of toxic elements and nutrients present in food samples.

#### Objectives

The purchase of this autosampler is critical to support the Agency's mission to protect the food supply by efficiently delivering the liquid samples to a mass spectrometer in order to accurately detect the concentrations of toxic elements and nutrients in food.

#### B. SPECIFICATIONS

The Vendor shall indicate if the minimum salient characteristics have been met to be considered responsive for this requirement. This statement of work covers the delivery, installation,



warranty on a new instrument(s). Operation of the instrument shall be inclusive of the installation completion.

# 1. Below are the minimum salient specifications of the compact and mobile autosampler:

- 1.1. The autosampler must be compact and positioned on a mobile cart for easy transport to other ICP-MS instruments
- 1.2. The autosampler shall be capable of holding up to sixty 15-mL sample vessels and ten 50-mL sample vessels
- 1.3. The autosampler shall have a vacuum pump and the required valves and plumbing to deliver the sample to a tubing loop

## 2. The instruments purchased shall meet the following technical requirements:

- 2.1. The entire unit shall be less than 635 mm (25") in width and 305 mm (12") in depth
- 2.2. The autosampler shall hold sixty 15-mL plus ten 50-mL sample vessels
- 2.3. The autosampler shall be positioned in a mobile cart for easy transport to other ICP-MS instruments
- 2.4. The autosampler shall include two pump rinse stations and a cover to prevent contamination
- 2.5. The autosampler shall have a vacuum pump and the required valves and plumbing to deliver the sample to a tubing loop
- 2.6. The software to control the autosampler shall be 100% compatible with a Thermo Finnigan Element 2 HR-ICP-MS.
- 2.7. All the initial tubing and connectors required for shall be included
- 2.8. The software for the autosampler shall offer the option to bypass the sample loop introduction set-up, if needed
- 2.9. The autosampler shall automatically monitor and correct the position in all axes
- 2.10. The autosampler shall be metal-free and have an arm that operates at high speed, even for very small sample vials
- 2.11. An instrument hardware and software familiarization for FDA users shall be provided by the installation specialist
- 2.12. The reproducibility of the signal and response time of the autosampler, tested and completed upon installation

#### 3. Other Considerations:

- a) **New Equipment:** Shall be newly manufactured unit, not used or refurbished, or previously used for demonstration.
- b) **Warranty**:
  - Each unit shall be warranted for 12 months from the date of acceptance. Warranty shall include all parts, labor, unlimited travel, and technical support. An optional annual maintenance agreement is not required.



c) The vendor is responsible for delivery and installation of the instrument and all components specified above to the shipping address and place of performance. If the vendor is not installing on the day of delivery, the delivery should be made to the loading dock and moved into location on the date of installation. The vendor will demonstrate upon installation that the item will meet all performance specifications by the manufacturer. The instrument will not be accepted until the salient specifications and technical requirements in sections 1 and 2 have been met. The FDA Technical Point of Contact (TPOC) will perform inspection and acceptance of the imaging system. Service and installation must be provided by service engineers who are trained and certified by the original manufacturer of the instrument. Engineers should have access to the manufacturer's latest technical developments, repair procedures, application updates, diagnostic software, and planned maintenance procedures.

# C. PLACE OF PERFORMANCE

The Contractor shall deliver (s) in this purchase order as follows:

A) The Contractor shall be responsible for shipment of the order at the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) facility address listed below:

Food and Drug Administration

Attn: TBD

5001 Campus Drive,

College Park, MD 20740

- B) The items ordered within 90 days of order award.
- C) All deliverables required under this order shall be packaged, marked and shipped in accordance with Government specifications.
- D) At a minimum, all deliverables shall be marked with the order number and contractor's name. The Contractor shall guarantee that all required materials shall be delivered in immediate new, usable and acceptable condition.
- E) Contractor shall contact TPOC to schedule the delivery. Delivery hours are 09:00 am 4:00 pm EDT, Monday Friday, excluding Federal holidays and weekends.

## D. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE:

The Period of Performance shall be 12 months from the date of FDA acceptance. The warranty period shall be 12 months from date of installation and FDA acceptance.

# E. <u>Inspection and Acceptance:</u>



The Technical Point of Contact (TPOC), shall perform inspection and acceptance within 30 days after installation completion.

Inspection: FOB Destination

# F. GOVERNMENT HOLIDAYS

a. The Government hereby provides notification that Government personnel observe the listed days as holidays:

(1) New Year's Day

(7) Labor Day

(2) Martin Luther King's Birthday

(8) Columbus Day

(3) President's Day

(9) Veterans' Day

(4) Memorial Day

(10) Thanksgiving Day

(5) Juneteenth National Independence Day

(11) Christmas Day

(6) Independence Day

b. In addition to the days designated as holidays, the Government observes the following days:

- (1) Any other day designated by Federal Statute
- (2) Any other day designated by Executive Order
- (3) Any other day designated by the President's Proclamation
- c. When any such day falls on a Saturday, the following Monday is observed. Except for designated around-the-clock or emergency operations, Contractor personnel will not be able to perform on-site under this contract with FDA on holidays set forth above. The Contractor will not charge any holiday as direct charge to the award.
- d. It is understood and agreed between the Government and the Contractor that observance of such days by Government personnel shall not otherwise be a reason for an additional period of performance, or entitlement of compensation except as set forth within the award.
- e. Nothing in this clause abrogates the rights and responsibilities of the parties relating to stop work provisions as cited in other sections of this contract.



# G. FDA Invoicing Procedures:

- 1. 352.232-71 Electronic Submission of Payment Requests (FEB 2022)
  - (a) Definitions. As used in this clause—

Payment request means a bill, voucher, invoice, or request for contract financing payment with associated supporting documentation. The payment request must comply with the requirements identified in FAR 32.905(b), "Content of Invoices" and the applicable Payment clause included in this contract.

- (b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this clause, the Contractor shall submit payment requests electronically using the Department of Treasury Invoice Processing Platform (IPP) or successor system. Information regarding IPP, including IPP Customer Support contact information, is available at www.ipp.gov or any successor site.
- (c) The Contractor may submit payment requests using other than IPP only when the Contracting Officer authorizes alternate procedures in writing in accordance with HHS procedures.
- (d) If alternate payment procedures are authorized, the Contractor shall include a copy of the Contracting Officer's written authorization with each payment request.
- 2. FDA Electronic Invoicing and Payment Requirements Invoice Processing Platform (IPP) (Jan 2022)
- a. All Invoice submissions for goods and or services must be made electronically through the U.S. Department of Treasury's Invoice Processing Platform System (IPP). <a href="http://www.ipp.gov/vendors/index.htm">http://www.ipp.gov/vendors/index.htm</a>
- b. Invoice Submission for Payment means any request for contract financing payment or invoice payment by the Contractor. To constitute a proper invoice, the payment request must comply with the requirements identified in in FAR 32.905(b), "Content of Invoices" and the applicable Payment clause included in this contract, or the clause 52.212-4 Contract Terms and Conditions Commercial Items included in commercial items contracts. The IPP website address is: https://www.ipp.gov.
- c. (1) The Agency will enroll the Contractors new to IPP. The Contractor must follow the IPP registration email instructions for enrollment to register the Collector Account for submitting invoice requests for payment. The Contractor Government Business Point of Contact (as listed in SAM) will receive Registration email from the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (FRBSTL) within 3 5 business days of the contract award for new contracts or date of modification for existing contracts.



- (2) Registration emails are sent via email from ipp.noreply@mail.eroc.twai.gov. Contractor assistance with enrollment can be obtained by contacting the IPP Production Helpdesk via email to IPPCustomerSupport@fiscal.treasury.gov or phone (866) 973-3131.
- (3) The Contractor POC will receive two emails from **IPP Customer Support**, the first email contains the initial administrative IPP User ID. The second email, sent within 24 hours of receipt of the first email, contains a temporary password. You must log in with the temporary password within 30 days.
- (4) If your company is already registered to use IPP, you will not be required to reregister.
- (5) If the Contractor is unable to comply with the requirement to use IPP for submitting invoices for payment as authorized by HHSAR 332.7002, a written request must be submitted to the Contracting Officer to explain the circumstances that require the authorization of alternate payment procedures.
- d. Invoices that include time and materials or labor hours Line Items must include supporting documentation to (1) substantiate the number of labor hours invoiced for each labor category, and (2) substantiate material costs incurred (when applicable).
- e. Invoices that include cost-reimbursement Line Items must be submitted in a format showing expenditures for that month, as well as contract cumulative amounts.

At a minimum the following cost information shall be included, in addition to supporting documentation to substantiate costs incurred.

- Direct Labor include all persons, listing the person's name, title, number of hours worked, hourly rate, the total cost per person and a total amount for this category;
- Indirect Costs (i.e., Fringe Benefits, Overhead, General and Administrative, Other Indirects)- show rate, base and total amount;
- Consultants (if applicable) include the name, number of days or hours worked, daily or hourly rate, and a total amount per consultant;
- Travel include for each airplane or train trip taken the name of the traveler, date of travel, destination, the transportation costs including ground transportation shown separately and the per diem costs. Other travel costs shall also be listed;
- Subcontractors (if applicable) include, for each subcontractor, the same data as required for the prime Contractor;



- Other Direct Costs include a listing of all other direct charges to the contract, i.e., office supplies, telephone, duplication, postage; and
- Fee amount as allowable in accordance with the Schedule and FAR 52.216-8 if applicable.
- f. Contractor is required to attach an invoice log addendum to each invoice which shall include, at a minimum, the following information for contract administration and reconciliation purposes:
  - (a) list of all invoices submitted to date under the subject award, including the following:
    - (1) invoice number, amount, & date submitted
    - (2) corresponding payment amount & date received
  - (b) total amount of all payments received to date under the subject contract or order
  - (c) and, for definitized contracts or orders only, total estimated amounts yet to be invoiced for the current, active period of performance.
- g. Payment of invoices will be made based upon acceptance by the Government of the entire task or the tangible product deliverable(s) invoiced. Payments shall be based on the Government certifying that satisfactory services were provided, and the Contractor has certified that labor charges are accurate.
- h. If the services are rejected for failure to conform to the technical requirements of the task order, or any other contractually legitimate reason, the Contractor shall not be paid, or shall be paid an amount negotiated by the CO.
- i. Payment to the Contractor will not be made for temporary work stoppage due to circumstances beyond the control of U.S. Food and Drug Administration such as acts of God, inclement weather, power outages, and results thereof, or temporary closings of facilities at which Contractor personnel are performing. This may, however, be justification for excusable delays.
- j. The Contractor agrees that the submission of an invoice to the Government for payment is a certification that the services for which the Government is being billed, have been delivered in accordance with the hours shown on the invoices, and the services are of the quality required for timely and successful completion of the effort.
- k. Questions regarding invoice payments that cannot be resolved by the IPP Helpdesk should be directed to the FDA Employee Resource and Information Center (ERIC)



Helpdesk at 301-827-ERIC (3742) or toll-free 866-807-ERIC (3742); or, by email at ERIC@fda.hhs.gov. Refer to the Call-in menu options and follow the phone prompts to dial the option that corresponds to the service that's needed. All ERIC Service Now Tickets will either be responded to or resolved within 48 hours (2 business days) of being received. When emailing, please be sure to include the contract number, invoice number and date of invoice, as well as your name, phone number, and a detailed description of the issue.

## H. CLAUSES:

HHSAR 352.211-3 Paperwork Reduction Act
HHSAR 352.222-70 Contractor Cooperation in Equal Employment Opportunity Investigations
HHSAR 352.239-74 Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility

FAR 52.212-4 Contract Terms and Conditions—Commercial Items (Dec 2022)

FAR 52.212-5 Contract Terms and Conditions Required To Implement Statutes or Executive Orders—Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Jun 2023)

- (a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services:
- (1) 52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).
- (2) 52.204-23, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (Nov 2021) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).
- (3) 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (Nov 2021) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).
- (4) 52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (Nov 2015).
- (5) 52.232-40, Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Mar 2023) (31 U.S.C. 3903 and 10 U.S.C. 3801).
- (6) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (Aug 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).



- (7) 52.233-4, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (Oct 2004) (Public Laws 108-77 and 108-78 (19 U.S.C. 3805 note)).
- (b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services:

[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

(1) 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (Jun 2020), with
Alternate I (Nov 2021) ( 41 U.S.C. 4704 and 10 U.S.C. 4655).
(2) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Nov 2021) ( 41 U.S.C. 3509)).
(3) 52.203-15, Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment
Act of 2009 (Jun 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5). (Applies to contracts funded by the
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.)
_X_ (4) 52.204-10, Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (Jun
2020) (Pub. L. 109-282) ( 31 U.S.C. 6101 note).
(5) [Reserved].
(6) 52.204-14, Service Contract Reporting Requirements (Oct 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section
743 of Div. C).
(7) 52.204-15, Service Contract Reporting Requirements for Indefinite-Delivery Contracts (Oct
2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
_X_ (8) 52.204-27, Prohibition on a ByteDance Covered Application (Jun 2023) (Section 102 of
Division R of Pub. L. 117-328).
_X_ (9) 52.209-6, Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors
Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (Nov 2021) ( 31 U.S.C. 6101 note).
(10) 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters
(Oct 2018) ( 41 U.S.C. 2313).
(11) [Reserved].
(12) 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (Oct 2022) ( 15 U.S.C.
657a).
(13) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns
(Oct 2022) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) ( 15 U.S.C.
657a).
(14) [Reserved]
_X_ (15) (i) 52.219-6, Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2020) ( 15 U.S.C. 644).
(ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of 52.219-6.
(16) (i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (Nov 2020) ( 15 U.S.C. 644).
(ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of 52.219-7.
(17) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2022) ( 15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).
(18) (i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (Oct 2022) ( 15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)).
(ii) Alternate I (Nov 2016) of 52.219-9.



(iii) Alternate II (Nov 2016) of 52.219-9. (iv) Alternate III (Jun 2020) of 52.219-9. \_\_\_ (v) Alternate IV (Sep 2021) of 52.219-9. \_\_ (19) (i) 52.219-13, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (Mar 2020) ( 15 U.S.C. 644(r)). (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of 52.219-13. \_\_ (20) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (Oct 2022) ( 15 U.S.C. 637s). (21) 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages—Subcontracting Plan (Sep 2021) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)(F)(i)). (22) 52.219-27, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C. 657f). X (23) (i) 52.219-28, Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (Mar 2023)(15 U.S.C. 632(a)(2)). \_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of 52.219-28. (24) 52.219-29, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole-Source Award to, Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business Concerns (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)). (25) 52.219-30, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole-Source Award to, Women-Owned Small Business Concerns Eligible Under the Women-Owned Small Business Program (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)). (26) 52.219-32, Orders Issued Directly Under Small Business Reserves (Mar 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)). \_\_ (27) 52.219-33, Nonmanufacturer Rule (Sep 2021) ( 15U.S.C. 637(a)(17)). \_X\_ (28) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (Jun 2003) (E.O.11755). X (29) 52.222-19, Child Labor-Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (Dec 2022) (E.O.13126). \_X\_ (30) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Apr 2015). X (31) (i) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Sep 2016) (E.O.11246). \_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Feb 1999) of 52.222-26. X (32) (i) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212). (ii) Alternate I (Jul 2014) of 52.222-35. X (33) (i) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (Jun 2020) (29 U.S.C. 793). (ii) Alternate I (Jul 2014) of 52.222-36. \_X\_ (34) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (Jun 2020) ( 38 U.S.C. 4212). \_X\_ (35) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496). \_X\_ (36) (i) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Nov 2021) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627). \_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2015) of 52.222-50 ( 22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627). (37) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (May 2022) (Executive Order 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types

of commercial products or commercial services as prescribed in FAR 22.1803.)



(38) (i) 52.223-9, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-Designated Items (May 2008) (42 U.S.C. 6962(c)(3)(A)(ii)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.) \_\_ (ii) Alternate I (May 2008) of 52.223-9 ( 42 U.S.C. 6962(i)(2)(C)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.) (39) 52.223-11, Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693). (40) 52.223-12, Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693). X (41) (i) 52.223-13, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Imaging Equipment (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514). \_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Oct 2015) of 52.223-13. (42) (i) 52.223-14, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Televisions (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514). \_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Jun2014) of 52.223-14. (43) 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (May 2020) (42 U.S.C. 8259b). (44) (i) 52.223-16, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Personal Computer Products (Oct 2015) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514). (ii) Alternate I (Jun 2014) of 52.223-16. X (45) 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (Jun 2020) (E.O. 13513). \_\_\_ (46) 52.223-20, Aerosols (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693). \_\_ (47) 52.223-21, Foams (Jun2016) (E.O. 13693). \_\_ (48) (i) 52.224-3 Privacy Training (Jan 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552 a). (ii) Alternate I (Jan 2017) of 52.224-3. \_X\_ (49) (i) 52.225-1, Buy American-Supplies (Oct 2022) ( 41 U.S.C. chapter 83). (ii) Alternate I (Oct 2022) of 52.225-1. (50) (i) 52.225-3, Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act (Dec 2022) (19 U.S.C. 3301 note, 19 U.S.C. 2112 note, 19 U.S.C. 3805 note, 19 U.S.C. 4001 note, 19 U.S.C. chapter 29 (sections 4501-4732), Public Law 103-182, 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-138, 112-41, 112-42, and 112-43. \_\_\_ (ii) Alternate I [Reserved]. (iii) Alternate II (Dec 2022) of 52.225-3. (iv) Alternate III (Jan 2021) of 52.225-3. \_\_ (v) Alternate IV (Oct 2022) of 52.225-3. \_\_ (51) 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (Dec 2022) ( 19 U.S.C. 2501, et seq., 19 U.S.C. 3301 note). (52) 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (Feb 2021) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury). (53) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. Subtitle A, Part V, Subpart G Note).



- (54) 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov 2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).
- \_\_ (55) 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).
- \_\_ (56) 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (Feb 2021).
- \_\_ (57) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Nov 2021) ( 41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 3805).
- \_\_ (58) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Nov 2021) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 3805).
- \_X\_ (59) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management (Oct2018) ( 31 U.S.C. 3332).
- \_\_ (60) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-Other than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- \_\_ (61) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (May 2014) ( 31 U.S.C. 3332).
- X (62) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).
- \_X\_ (63) 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Jan 2017) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(13)).
- \_\_ (64) (i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Nov 2021) ( 46 U.S.C. 55305 and 10 U.S.C. 2631).
- \_\_ (ii) Alternate I (Apr 2003) of 52.247-64.
- (iii) Alternate II (Nov 2021) of 52.247-64.
- (c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial products and commercial services:
- \_\_\_ (1) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (Aug 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter67).
- \_\_ (2) 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (May 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- \_\_ (3) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (Aug 2018) ( 29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- \_\_ (4) 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (May 2014) ( 29U.S.C.206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- \_\_ (5) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) ( 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- \_\_ (6) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- \_X\_ (7) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (Jan 2022).
- X (8) 52.222-62, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (Jan 2022) (E.O. 13706).
- \_\_ (9) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Jun 2020) ( 42 U.S.C. 1792).
- (d) Comptroller General Examination of Record. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the



simplified acquisition threshold, as defined in FAR 2.101, on the date of award of this contract, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, Audit and Records-Negotiation.

- (1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.
- (2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.
- (3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.
- (e) (1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in this paragraph (e)(1), in a subcontract for commercial products or commercial services. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause-(i) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Nov 2021) (41 U.S.C. 3509).
- (ii) 52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).
- (iii) 52.204-23, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (Nov 2021) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).
- (iv) 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (Nov 2021) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).
- (v) 52.204-27, Prohibition on a ByteDance Covered Application (Jun 2023) (Section 102 of Division R of Pub. L. 117-328).
- (vi) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2022) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds the applicable threshold specified in FAR



- 19.702(a) on the date of subcontract award, the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.
- (vii) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Apr 2015).
- (viii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Sep 2015) (E.O.11246).
- (ix) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (x) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (Jun 2020) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- (xi) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (xi) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (xii) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause 52.222-40.
- (xiii) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (Aug 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (xiv) (A) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Nov 2021) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O 13627).
- (B) Alternate I (Mar 2015) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).
- (xv) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (xvi) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (xvii) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (May 2022) (E.O. 12989).
- (xviii) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages for Contractor Workers Under Executive Order 14026 (Jan 2022).
- (xix) 52.222-62, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (Jan 2022) (E.O. 13706).
- (xx) (A) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (Jan 2017) ( 5 U.S.C. 552a).
- (B) Alternate I (Jan 2017) of 52.224-3.



(xxi) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. Subtitle A, Part V, Subpart G Note).

(xxii) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Jun 2020) (42 U.S.C. 1792). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226-6.

(xxiii) 52.232-40, Providing Accelerated Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Mar 2023) ( 31 U.S.C. 3903 and 10 U.S.C. 3801). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (c) of 52.232-40.

(xxiv) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Nov 2021) (46 U.S.C. 55305 and 10 U.S.C. 2631). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64.

(2) While not required, the Contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial products and commercial services a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

## FAR clause 52.217-8 Option to Extend Services (Nov 1999).

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. These rates may be adjusted only as a result of revisions to prevailing labor rates provided by the Secretary of Labor. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within at any time.

## I. Solicitation Provisions:

# 1. Line Items and Prices

The Contractor shall submit a fixed price, including details of all costs supporting the price for the requested items/services.

The Contractor shall complete the pricing chart below. Pricing shall include all applicable fees including shipping and handling. Any charges presented after contract award shall not be acceptable.

	Description	Quantity	Price
Line Item 1	Autosampler	1 Each	\$
Line Item 2	Shipping/Freight and handling, installation and	1	\$
	instrument familiarizing training		
	GRAND TOTAL (FOBD Destination)		\$



Pricing should be outlined as shown above.

NOTE: ONLY ONE PRICE SUMMARY REPORT AND AGREGATE TOTAL WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR EVALUATION/AWARD WITH ALL PROPOSED PRICING ASSOCIATED WITH THE RFQ REQUIREMENTS. NO ADDITIONAL PRICING SCHEDULES WILL BE EVALUATED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

## 2. INSTRUCTIONS TO CONTRACTORS

- 2.1 Responses shall be submitted to the Contract Specialist's email: sarah.hussain@fda.hhs.gov .
- 2.2 Deadline for questions: August 08 2023, 12:00 pm ET. Phone or fax inquiries will not receive a response. All questions regarding this RFQ shall be submitted via email.
- 2.3 Quotes Due no later than: August 15, 2023 at 12:00 pm ET
- 2.4 Quotes shall be in two volumes: Volume I shall be Technical and Volume II shall be Price. The volumes shall be separate and complete, so the evaluation of one may be accomplished independently of, and concurrently with, the evaluation of the other. No pricing information shall be provided in Volume I. This volume shall provide the equipment description including specs, warranty, delivery and not exceed 10 pages.
- 2.5 Quotes shall clearly reference the solicitation, date of offer, organization proposing and point of contact.
- 2.6 The Contractor's current address and Unique Entity ID shall be included in the quote.
- 2.7 Quotes shall be for all the items requested or none.
- 2.8 Quotes shall be valid through September 30, 2023.

## 3. EVALUATION METHOD

The Government will evaluate quotes received in response to this RFQ on a lowest price, technically acceptable (LPTA) basis. A technically acceptable quote is one that can provide all the specifications listed above.

#### 4. General Information

Contracting Point of Contact:
Sarah Hussain, Contract Specialist
Email: <a href="mailto:sarah.hussain@fda.hhs.gov">sarah.hussain@fda.hhs.gov</a>

5. FAR 52.252-2 Solicitation Provisions Incorporated by Reference (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make



their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es): <a href="https://www.acquisition.gov/far">https://www.acquisition.gov/hhsar</a>.

- **6.** FAR 52.212-2 Evaluation-Commercial Items (Nov 2021)
- 7. FAR 52.212-3 Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Items (Mar 2022) Offerors that fail to complete the required representations and certifications, or reject the terms and conditions of the solicitation, may be excluded from award consideration.

The offeror shall complete only paragraphs (b) of this provision if the Offeror has completed the annual representations and certification electronically via the System for Award Management (SAM) Web site accessed through <a href="http://www.acquisition.gov">http://www.acquisition.gov</a>. If the Offeror has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically, the Offeror shall complete only paragraphs (c) through (p) of this provision.

- 8. FAR 52.225-2 Buy American Certificate. (Oct 2022)
- (a) (1) The Offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (b) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that each domestic end product listed in paragraph (c) of this provision contains a critical component.
- (2) The Offeror shall list as foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products. For those foreign end products that do not consist wholly or predominantly of iron or steel or a combination of both, the Offeror shall also indicate whether these foreign end products exceed 55 percent domestic content, except for those that are COTS items. If the percentage of the domestic content is unknown, select "no".
- (3) The Offeror shall separately list the line item numbers of domestic end products that contain a critical component (see FAR 25.105).
- (b) Foreign End Products:
- (4) The terms "commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item," "critical component," "domestic end product," "end product," and "foreign end product" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American-Supplies."

Line Item No.	Country of Origin	Exceeds 55% domestic Content (yes/no)		



Line Item No. \_\_\_\_

[List as necessary]

(c) Domestic end	products	containing	a critical	component:

[List as necessary]

# 9. FAR 52.204-24 Representation Regarding Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (Nov 2021)

The Offeror shall not complete the representation at paragraph (d)(1) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument" in paragraph (c)(1) in the provision at 52.204-26, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, or in paragraph (v)(2)(i) of the provision at 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Products or Commercial Services. The Offeror shall not complete the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it "does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services" in paragraph (c)(2) of the provision at 52.204-26, or in paragraph (v)(2)(ii) of the provision at 52.212-3.

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision—

Backhaul, covered telecommunications equipment or services, critical technology, interconnection arrangements, reasonable inquiry, roaming, and substantial or essential component have the meanings provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

(b) Prohibition. (1) Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—



- (i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
- (2) Section 889(a)(1)(B) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2020, from entering into a contract or extending or renewing a contract with an entity that uses any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. This prohibition applies to the use of covered telecommunications equipment or services, regardless of whether that use is in performance of work under a Federal contract. Nothing in the prohibition shall be construed to—
- (i) Prohibit the head of an executive agency from procuring with an entity to provide a service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
- (ii) Cover telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or cannot permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
- (c) Procedures. The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) ( https://www.sam.gov) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for "covered telecommunications equipment or services".
  - (d) Representation. The Offeror represents that—
- (1) It  $\square$  will,  $\square$  will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation. The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(1) of this section if the Offeror responds "will" in paragraph (d)(1) of this section; and
- (2) After conducting a reasonable inquiry, for purposes of this representation, the Offeror represents that—

It  $\Box$  does,  $\Box$  does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or use any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.



The Offeror shall provide the additional disclosure information required at paragraph (e)(2) of this section if the Offeror responds "does" in paragraph (d)(2) of this section.

- (e) Disclosures. (1) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "will" in the representation in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:
  - (i) For covered equipment—
- (A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) or a distributor, if known);
- (B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and
- (C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.
  - (ii) For covered services—
- (A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or
- (B) If not associated with maintenance, the Product Service Code (PSC) of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(1) of this provision.
- (2) Disclosure for the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision. If the Offeror has responded "does" in the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer:
  - (i) For covered equipment—
- (A) The entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known);



- (B) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment offered (include brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); and
- (C) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

# (ii) For covered services—

- (A) If the service is related to item maintenance: A description of all covered telecommunications services offered (include on the item being maintained: Brand; model number, such as OEM number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable); or
- (B) If not associated with maintenance, the PSC of the service being provided; and explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision.

Parties responding to this solicitation may submit their offer in accordance with their standard commercial practices (e.g. on company letterhead, formal quote form, etc.) but shall include the following information: 1) company's complete mailing and remittance addresses 2) discounts for prompt payment if applicable; 3) Dun & Bradstreet number; 4) Taxpayer ID number; 5) Catalog or Published Price Listing applicable to the service; 6) Contractors shall meet specifications as noted in the synopsis. Note: Contractor shall be registered and active in the System for Award Management (SAM) prior to the award of a contract. You may register by going to www.sam.gov.