# **REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)**

Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) and Long-Distance Services

for new MDIA Facility at Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA

## 1.0 Description

- 1.1 The Military Department Investigative Agencies (MDIA) Electronic Systems Program Management Office (ESPMO), in support of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) 131 Initiative to co-locate five sovereign agencies to a new facility at U.S. Marine Corps Quantico (MCBQ), is seeking information on how any interested and qualified telecommunications service provider could provide local and long-distance (including overseas and international) services for this new facility with local exchange from the Dale City, VA. The service duration will be 5 years in support of the new MDIA Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) phone system. The following are the Government's service capacity and capability information:
  - √ 5,000 new sequential Direct Inward Dialing (DID) numbers
  - ✓ 10 long-distance Primary Rate Interfaces (PRIs) and 2 LEC PRIs
  - ✓ D channel management capability with 100% delivery no later than (NLT) 15 Nov 2010
  - ✓ Trunk error tracking/checking for capability of switchover load balancing

Additionally, the following are the desired but optional capability:

- ✓ Telecommunication Service Priority (TSP) as an optional feature
- ✓ Trunking partnerships reroute to other LEC's for service continuity in lieu of down trunks
- 1.2 Request For Information (RFI) Only. This RFI is issued solely for information and planning purposes it does not constitute as a Request for Proposal (RFP) or a promise to issue an RFP in the future. This request for information does not commit the Government to contract for any supply or service whatsoever. Further, the Government is not at this time seeking proposals and will not accept unsolicited proposals. The RFI respondees are advised that the Government will not pay for any information or administrative costs incurred in response to this RFI; all costs associated with responding to this RFI will be solely at the interested party's expense. Not responding to this RFI does not preclude participation in any future RFP, if any is issued. If a solicitation is released, it will be synopsized on the Federal Business Opportunities (FedBizOpps) website: https://www.fbo.gov and the GSA E-Commerce Central website: <a href="http://www.gsa.gov">http://www.gsa.gov</a>. It is the responsibility of the potential offerors to monitor these sites for additional information pertaining to this requirement.

## 2.0 Background

BRAC 131 of the 2005 Recommendation H&SA-108R states that the headquarters of the Defense Security Service (DSS), Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI), U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command (Army CID), Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS), Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) subunit, Defense Counter-Intelligence and Human Intelligence Center (DCHC), and two formal school programs (Joint Counter-Intelligence Training Academy [JCITA] and the DSS Academy) will relocate from multiple leased and military base sites and collocate into a new complex on U.S. Marine Corps Base Quantico, Virginia. Accordingly, the BRAC H&SA-0108R process is defined as the coordination of all actions that support the successful implementation of this BRAC recommendation.

The five agencies have agreed to pursue commonalities of information technology (IT) service delivery to the extent practicable and achievable, up to and including adoption of a common network domain for the shared services supporting agencies' law enforcement, counter-intelligence, and security missions. This collaborative MDIA environment will be supported by an Information Technology Common Services Unit (ITCSU) attached to the NCIS IT organization, but reporting to the combined Chief Information Officers (CIOs) of the five agencies. Thus, NCIS is the primary responsible agency to provide MDIA common services such as the LEC & long-distance phone services. In addition, DSS also engages contractor support to ESPMO headed by the Electronic Systems Project Manager (ESPM) to implement the IT infrastructure for MDIA.

- 2.1 Delivery Date: BRAC 131 Initiative requires that the LEC service for the move-in users at the new MDIA facility located at Quantico, VA to be implemented by NLT 15 Nov 2010.
- 2.2 Delivery Period and Condition: Phone service to be implemented by NLT 15 Nov 2010 with 100% service activation at NLT 15 Dec 2010.
- 2.3 Limitations: Not specified at this time.
- 2.4 Security Requirements: Not specified at this time.

## 3.0 Requested Information

The requested information is to confirm government cost estimate (GCE), service implementation timeline, and available service providers.

## 4.0 Responses

Interested parties are requested to respond to this RFI with a whitepaper.

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- 4.1 RFI Whitepaper. The RFI whitepaper should be in Microsoft Word for Office 2007 compatible format and <u>due NLT 23 Jun 2010, 1600 EST</u>. The whitepaper response is limited to 5 single-sided pages and submitted via e-mail only to the Government Point of Contract (POC): Lois Watts, Contract Specialist, <u>lois.watts.ctr@navy.mil</u>. The RFI whitepaper should address the following telecommunication service offerings:
  - 1. LEC and Long-distance service features,
  - 2. Pricing structure,
  - 3. Area of coverage, and
  - 4. Service implementation plan and schedule.

Proprietary information, if any, should be kept to minimum and MUST BE CLEARLY MARKED. The whitepaper needs to answer the LEC and long-distance service addressed in this RFI. To aid the Government, segregate proprietary information. Please be advised that all submissions become Government property and will not be returned. If any respondee does not currently have a Proprietary Data Protection Agreement (PDPA) that would permit the Government's personnel to review and evaluate the submitted whitepaper in response to this RFI, the respondee should request to sign PDPAs with the Government. The following is the list of Government Point of Contact (POC) for the evaluation of the RFI whitepaper:

- Mark Failer, (571) 405-1398, mark.failer.ctr@dss.mil
- Henry Lee, (703) 617-9895, <a href="mailto:henry.lee.ctr@dss.mil">henry.lee.ctr@dss.mil</a>
- Garrye Hepburn, (410) 300-8924, garrye.hepburn.ctr@dss.mil
- James Butler, (703) 929-3890, james.a.butler@ncis.navy.mil

Please note that all MDIA ESPMO government or contractor personnel have executed Non Disclosure Agreements (NDA) for all IT project information related to the BRAC 131 Initiative.

- 4.2 Company Information. The RFI whitepaper should provide the following information:
  - Company Information. Name, mailing address, overnight delivery address (if different from mailing address), phone number, fax number, and e-mail of designated point of contact.
  - 2. Government Telecommunications Contractual Vehicle Information. Identify the Government telecommunications service contract vehicle that LEC and long-distance services can be provided for MDIA and the recommended contracting strategy.
  - 3. Proprietary Information. Identify and handle of respondee's company proprietary information should include either: 1) Copies of executed NDAs with the Government or 2) A statement stating the respondee will not allow the Government to release its proprietary data for the RFI whitepaper evaluation.

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## 5.0 Meetings and Discussions

The Government representatives may or may not choose to meet with potential RFI service provider. Such meetings and discussions would only be intended to get further clarification of potential capability, especially any development and certification risks.

### 6.0 Questions

Questions and the whitepaper regarding this RFI should be submitted in writing by e-mail to the NCIS Contracting Representative, Mrs. Lois Watts, <a href="lois.watts.ctr@navy.mil">lois.watts.ctr@navy.mil</a>.

## 7.0 Summary

This RFI is only intended for the Government to identify sources that can provide LEC and long-distance services for the new MDIA facility. The information provided in this RFI is subject to change and is not binding to the Government. The Government has not made a commitment to procure any of the RFI requirements discussed, and release of this RFI should not be construed as such a commitment or as authorization to incur cost for which reimbursement would be required or sought. All submissions become Government property and will not be returned.