

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

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2. AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION NO. 0003 | 3. EFFECTIVE DATE 05/02/2011 | 4. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQ. NO. _____ | 5. PROJECT NO. (If applicable) _____

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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, county, State and Zip Code)
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9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. _____
9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) _____
(X) 10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO. GS-10F-0466N / DTMA1F10136
(X) 10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13) 09/30/2010

CODE m _____ FACILITY CODE _____

11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers is extended, is not extended.

Offers 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 _____ 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)

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13. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO MODIFICATION OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.

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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)
Mutual Agreement

E. IMPORTANT: Contractor is not, is required to sign this document and return 1 copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)

See next page.

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)
Peter Raymond, Principal for Melanie Thomas Armstrong, Partner

16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)
Jill M. Kline

15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR _____ | 15C. DATE SIGNED 5/5/11 | 16B. United States of America
BY  | 16C. DATE SIGNED 05/04/2011
(Signature of person authorized to sign) | (Signature of Contracting Officer)

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SECTION A -- SOLICITATION/CONTRACT FORM

A.1 MOD 0003 - DESCRIPTION OF MODIFICATION

The purpose of this modification is to revise Section C - Contract Deliverables at no additional cost to the government.

1. Section C - Contract Deliverables is revised to read as follows:

Each phase will be completed in sequence, with a report (in Microsoft Word and/or Excel formats) to be delivered to the Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR) at the completion of each phase.

Deliverables include the following:

Phase 1 tasks - no change.

B. Phase 1 - report

1. Draft report to MARAD (due 4 weeks after contract award)
2. Final report incorporating responses to MARAD comments (due 6 weeks after contract award)

C. Phase 2 - data collection

1. Development of a complete and vetted survey instrument (due 15 weeks after contract award)
2. Arrange and complete data collection from respondents (due 16 weeks after contract award)
3. Prepare initial summary transcripts of data collection meetings and submission of raw data from responses (due 17 weeks after contract award)
4. Prepare final summary transcripts of data collection meetings and submission of raw data from responses (due 32 weeks after contract award)

D. Phase 2 - report

1. Draft report to MARAD (due 19 weeks after contract award)
2. Final report incorporating responses to MARAD comments (due 21 weeks after contract award)

E. Phase 3 - report

1. Initial draft report to MARAD (due 23 weeks after contract award)
2. Draft of Phase 3 Report to MARAD incorporating responses to MARAD comments (due 31 weeks after contract award)
3. Draft Executive Summary and Conclusions to MARAD (due 31 weeks after contract award)
4. Final Phase 3 Report incorporating responses to MARAD comments (due 36 weeks after contract award)
5. Final Executive Summary and Conclusions incorporating responses to MARAD comments (due 36 weeks after contract award)

The project is to be completed in three phases:

1. Phase 1 of the report should include a comprehensive overview of the current state of U.S. and foreign-flag fleets. The results of this phase should include a discussion of both the current physical nature of the fleets, as well as the current regulatory environments that those fleets operate within, including but not limited to:
 - a. Compliance with maritime safety conventions;
 - b. Crewing and terms of employment;
 - c. Tax law; and
 - d. Naval protection

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2. Using the sample frame provided by MARAD, create a survey instrument (for MARAD approval) to identify and evaluate the incentives and disincentives associated with placing a commercial vessel under U.S. registry.

The survey instrument should be consistent across respondents and answers should be recorded in such a way that facilitates data processing. Additionally, the survey instrument should be designed in such a way that minimizes the burden upon the respondents (time, length, etc.). MARAD will vet the survey instrument with industry to identify deficiencies, assess length, and ensure clarity.

The survey should be administered by telephone and discussions with respondents should include, but is not limited to, the following factors, their economic impact and influence on registry preference:

- a. Labor costs (including overhead)
- b. Regulatory costs
- c. Taxation systems
 - i. Corporate
 - ii. Mariner
- d. Insurance costs
- e. Construction, maintenance, and repair costs

Other questions of the respondents should include a comprehensive discussion of the type of U.S. regime that would entice the carriers to increase the number of vessels under U.S. registry.

Tabulate and interpret results, highlighting key findings and conclusions.

Report back to carriers highlighting key findings and ensuring that their viewpoints were adequately and accurately addressed.

3. Based on current U.S. policies and regulations, as well as results from the survey of U.S. vessel owners of U.S. and foreign-flag oceangoing vessels, develop:
 - a. An overview and comparison of U.S. and foreign registries and the factors and costs that influence carrier registry preference.
 - b. Comprehensive recommendations on how to, on a Federal level, increase participation in the U.S.-flag fleet.
4. Depending upon the results of the study, provide annual updates that will be funded with following year money.