

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

TacMobile

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- 1) Q: The USG's current TacMobile industry partner team is currently imbedded with their military and Gov civilian counterparts at various USG Labs and work performance bases (i.e. CHS, PAX, JAX). Will the USG continue to provide embedded onsite access/work space for the life of this work given the parameters of this SOW? If not, what mix of onsite/offsite support does the USG anticipated in support of this SOW?

A: The Government anticipates using the same lab and work spaces throughout the life of the TSETI contract that are currently being used. Determination of on-site vs. off-site workspaces is based on the preponderance of work where access to USG labs is required to execute the tasking. Where work can be conducted at the contractor facility, no space will be allocated at the USG facility. 20% of the work will be performed off-site at Contractor facilities and 80% will be performed at Government furnished facilities.

- 2) Q: Can the government define and describe the TacMobile Architectural Simplification (TAS) effort as listed in the SOW (TSETI Attachment 1 SOW 11 February 2014.pdf) section 4.1.3 section 3 (page 8) and in various parts of the SOW?

A: The TAS effort strives to simplify today's architecture through use of virtualization, zero clients, redundant hardware, and implementation of technologies such as an update server and single-sign on support infrastructure. In TAS, the TacMobile server architecture is supported by 12 virtual servers all hosted on a high-density server. The design includes two high-density servers providing the redundancy for Fleet operations. The goal of the TAS effort includes simplification of system administration, centralization of administrative tasks, user interface simplification, and introduction of a TacMobile accredited core network (domain controllers, exchange server) as opposed to using the GCCS-M core network.

- 3) Q: In the SOW (TSETI Attachment 1 SOW 11 February 2014.pdf) paragraph 4.2.3 Engineering Production and Installation Support, Section 6 (page 32) lists that MD has responsibility for TacMobile media products to the various components of the P-3C and P-8A aircraft, but no specific P-8A contractor support requirement is listed. Will contractor support be required to support P-8A Mission Data (MD) efforts in this TacMobile contract?

A: Yes, this was an oversight. The final SOW has the correction included and section 4.2.3 addresses support for both the P-3C and P-8A aircraft.

- 4) Q: In the SOW (TSETI Attachment 1 SOW 11 February 2014.pdf), paragraph 4.3.2 Integrated Logistics Sustainment Support - Section 7 (page 38) lists "Training Support" begins with "d) Training Development Support." Are there other subsections (i.e. a,b,and c) under Training Support?

A: No, this was a typo; "d" should have been "a", "e" should have been "b" and so on.

- 5) Q: Can the government provide more details of 4.4 AUSTRALIAN COOPERATIVE PROGRAM SUPPORT section of TSETI Attachment 1 SOW 11 February 2014.pdf (page 43) that states "4) Initiate development and integration of the DIE/SIE Interface Test System (ITS)."?

A: When in use by US forces TacMobile systems are connected and utilize data from the US NIPRNet and SIPRNet. TacMobile Systems provided to Australia will be connected to their national unclassified (DIE) and secure (SIE) networks and will operate using data sources found on those networks for pre-flight planning and the building of PID. It has been agreed that Australia is responsible for providing whatever software/hardware systems may be necessary to ensure that the data found on the DIE/SIE is useable by TacMobile systems. As such, a PID data catalog has been developed which details the file formats needed and US PID data sources have been mapped. This information has been provided to Australia so they can work to develop the needed DIE/SIE interface. Australia is responsible for building and supplying this interface to TacMobile, and it will be TacMobile responsibility to ensure that it operates properly and can be integrated into the TOC/MTOCs. TacMobile will be providing engineering advice to Australia through all phases of the design and development of this interface. Additionally, TacMobile will need to test the final product to ensure that it is capable of delivering the data needed by TacMobile systems for PID creation.

- 6) Q: What is the value of the TacMobile TSETI contract?

A: The Government has already provided industry with the hours by labor categories for each and the not to exceed amounts for both the ODCs and PIO CLINs.

- 7) Q: The SOW (TSETI Attachment 1 SOW 11 February 2014.pdf) paragraph 4.4 states that "the contractor shall provide engineering services, integrated logistics services, security related services and management services in support of PMW 750 TacMobile Program efforts associated with the Australian TOC and MTOC Cooperative Program." Will contractors require export license for working with the Australian TOC and MTOC Cooperative Program?

A: No, an export license is not required. However, an export agreement (i.e., Technical Assistance Agreement (TAA)) will need to be executed.

- 8) Section L-328 of the N00039-14-R-0003 (TSETI) solicitation provides quantities of labor hours for each labor category. The total estimated number of hours over the 5 year contract is 920,433. The solicitation for the current Tacmobile contract (N00039-09-R-0031) had allocated 1,113,716 hours over the course of the 5 year contract. This is a decrease of 193,283 hours over a five year period (approximately 21%). Considering the information provided at Industry Day, please confirm that the estimated level of effort in Section L-328 of the N00039-14-R-0003 (TSETI) solicitation is commensurate with the effort required to support the program for the life of the contract?

A: Yes, we are aware of the reduction of hours, but the 920,433 is the correct amount.

9) Section L-328 provides 4,079 hours over 5 years for a Program Manager yet does not list separate labor categories for Lead Engineer and Lead Logistician. Will the government provide additional labor categories, qualifications and level of efforts for these positions?

A: Answer: The RFP identifies the breakout of labor categories and hours by location. From that you can see there is only one PM, lead engineer and lead logistician in Charleston, SC.