

SOLICITATION ADDENDUM

Date: 10/19/2018

Subject: Federal Audit Counsel RFP

Solicitation Number: OGC-2018-12

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Addendum Number: 1

To All Suppliers:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania defines a solicitation "Addendum" as an addition to or amendment of the original terms, conditions, specifications, or instructions of a procurement solicitation (e.g., Invitation for Bids or Request for Proposals).

Please be advised that a change has been made to the highlighted part of Part I-12. in the RFP document below. The new wording of the highlighted section below should read as follows, "For this RFP, the Commonwealth will only consider for scoring purposes commitments made for the provision of professional or para-professional services."

I-12. Small Diverse Business and Small Business Information. The Issuing Office encourages participation by Small Diverse Businesses and Small Businesses as prime contractors, and encourages all prime contractors to make significant commitments to use Small Diverse Businesses and Small Businesses as subcontractors and suppliers. For this RFP, the Commonwealth will only consider for scoring purposes commitments made for the provision of professional or para-professional legal services.

A Small Business must meet each of the following requirements:

- The business must be a for-profit, United States business;
- The business must be independently owned;
- The business may not be dominant in its field of operation;
- The business may not employ more than 100 full-time or full-time equivalent employees;
- The business, by type, may not exceed the following three-year average gross sales:
 - o Procurement Goods and Services: \$20 million
 - o Construction: \$20 million
 - Building Design Services: \$7 million
 - o Information Technology Goods and Services: \$25 million



A Small Diverse Business is a DGS-verified minority-owned small business, womanowned small business, veteran-owned small business, service-disabled veteran-owned small business, LGBT-owned small business, Disability-owned small business, or other small businesses as approved by DGS, that are owned and controlled by a majority of persons, not limited to members of minority groups, who have been deprived of the opportunity to develop and maintain a competitive position in the economy because of social disadvantages.

For credit in the RFP scoring process, a Small Diverse Business must complete the DGS verification process. Additional information on this process can be found at: http://www.dgs.pa.gov/Businesses/Minority,%20Women%20and%20Veteran%20Businesses/Pages/default.aspx.

An Offeror that qualifies as a Small Diverse Business or a Small Business and submits a proposal as a prime contractor is not prohibited from being included as a subcontractor in separate proposals submitted by other Offerors.

A Small Diverse Business or Small Business may be included as a subcontractor with as many prime contractors as it chooses in separate proposals.

The Department's directory of self-certified Small Businesses and DGS/BDISBO-verified Small Diverse Businesses can be accessed from: http://www.dgs.pa.gov/Businesses/Minority,%20Women%20and%20Veteran%20Businesses/Small-Diverse-Businesses-Aspx.

Questions regarding the Small Diverse Business and Small Business Programs, including questions about the self-certification and verification processes can be directed to:

Department of General Services Bureau of Diversity, Inclusion and Small Business Opportunities (BDISBO) Room 601, North Office Building

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Except as clarified and amended by this Addendum, the terms, conditions, specifications, and instructions of the solicitation and any previous solicitation addenda, remain as originally written.

Respectfully,

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