J&A Control Number JA26-00171

BRAND NAME ONLY JUSTIFICATION

Requirement Title / Name: Landscaping Equipment for Northern Cheyenne Agency

Purchase Request Number: 44051035

Originating Office (Customer): Northern Cheyenne Agency

Division / Unit / Branch: Rocky Mountain Region

1. This is a justification for other than full and open competition.

Agency: Bureau of Indian Affairs

IA Acquisition Office: A04 Rocky Mountain Region

2. Nature and/or description of the action being approved:

Requirement: New

Pricing: Firm-Fixed Price

3. A description of the supplies or services required to meet the agency's needs (including the estimated value):

(1) 90" mower for bobcat skidsteer, (1) 84" angle broom for S76 skidsteer and (1) 84' angle broom for S260 skidsteer. Specialized skid-steer attachments to support year-round facilities operations, including landscaping, and grounds maintenance. These attachments must integrate seamlessly with the Agency's existing fleet of Bobcat S76 and S260.

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4. An Identification of the statutory authority permitting other than full and open competition:

AUTHORITY: FAR 13.106-1(b)(1)(i)

5. A demonstration that the proposed contractor's unique qualifications or the nature of the acquisition requires use of the authority cited.

The existing equipment is manufactured by Bobcat Company and is currently in use within the fleet. The proposed attachment must be fully compatible with this equipment, including hydraulic connections, mounting interface, control systems, and operational specifications. Bobcat Company attachments are specifically engineered to integrate seamlessly with existing Bobcat machinery, ensuring proper fit, safe operation, and optimal performance without the need for modification. Use of non-OEM attachments can void or limit existing warranties and increase long-term maintenance costs. Due to these factors, Bobcat-brand attachments are the only products that reliably meet the Government's minimum technical, safety, and operational needs.

6. A description of efforts made to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as is practicable, including whether a notice was or will be publicized as required by Subpart 5.2 and, if not, which exception under 5.202 applies.

This requirement will be publicized on sam.gov along with the Brand Name Justification. Brand name Items can be sourced from multiple manufacturer distributors .

7. A determination by the contracting officer that the anticipated cost to the Government will be fair and reasonable.

I hereby determine that the anticipated cost to the Government for this contract action will be fair and reasonable. This determination is based on the following:

Pricing will be evaluated as fair and reasonable using the IGE and competitive quotes obtained through a LPTA RFQ among authorized distributors. This ensures that even though the requirement is brand-specific, multiple vendors will be able to compete, ensuring fair and reasonable pricing to the Government.

8. A description of the market research conducted (see Part 10) and the results or a statement of the reason market research was not conducted.

Market research was conducted by reviewing product catalogs, manufacturer specifications, online product listings, and available Native American-owned vendors under the appropriate NAICS code. Research confirmed multiple vendors can supply Bobcat-brand OEM attachments and no alternative manufacturer produces attachments guaranteed to meet all compatibility, safety, and integration requirements for the existing fleet.

9. Any other facts supporting the use of justification of other than full and open competition, such as:

Agency owned bobcat is engineered to match with bobcat branded attachments.
IGE derived from manufacturer website and local dealer estimates.
The Agency will continue to evaluate equipment needs during future acquisitions. Should the Agency procure equipment from alternative manufacturers, future attachments may not require a brand-name justification

10. A listing of the sources, if any, that expressed, in writing, an interest in the acquisition.

No sources expressed interest in this acquisition.

11. A statement of any actions, if any, the agency may take to remove or overcome any barriers to competition before any subsequent acquisition for the supplies or services required.

BIA will continue to evaluate equipment needs during future acquisitions. If equiment from alternative manufacturers is found to ever be acceptable, future attachments may not require a brand-name justification

Originating Office Attestation:

I certify that the technical data which forms a basis for this justification is complete and accurate and meets the Government's minimum needs.

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12. Contracting Officer certification that the justification is accurate and complete to the best of the contracting officer's knowledge and belief:

I hereby certify that this justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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