



Request for Quotations

**Education Development Center, Inc.
(Hereafter referred to as "EDC")
Request for Quotations for Procurement of
Repeaters and Translators Equipment for South Sudan**

Date of Issuance: May 22, 2012
Closing Date: June 6, 2012, 5:00 p.m. EST

EDC is an international nonprofit organization that develops, delivers, and evaluates innovative programs to address some of the world's most urgent challenges. Our work includes research, training, educational materials and strategy, with activities ranging from seed projects to large-scale initiatives. EDC enjoys a worldwide reputation for its excellence in program and fiscal management and for the impact of its work.

Education Development Center, Inc. (EDC) an international NGO, with support from the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), implements the Sudan Radio Service (SRS) program in South Sudan. SRS is South Sudan's first independent broadcast provider of news and information. SRS works in English, Arabic and 11 Sudanese languages, and focuses exclusively on issues and events in South Sudan making it the favorite radio station of many South Sudanese around the world. Companies submitting quotes in response to this Request for Quotations (RFQ) have no relationship with USAID under the terms of this RFQ or any resultant contract. All communications regarding this RFQ must be directed to EDC.

1. Purpose and Eligibility

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this RFQ is to invite prospective offerors to submit a quote for the purchase of repeaters and translators for South Sudan.

1.2 Coverage & Participation

The equipment request included in this RFQ shall be used for expanding a radio network in South Sudan.

1.3 Eligibility

This procurement is open to offers from all countries (including the United States), except for those designated by the US Government as prohibited source countries.

2. General Information

2.1 Original RFQ Document

EDC shall retain the RFQ, and all related terms and conditions, exhibits and other attachments, in original form in an archival copy. Any modification of these, in the offeror's submission or subsequent contract, is grounds for immediate disqualification.

2.2 RFQ Provisions

1. All information provided by EDC in this RFQ is offered in good faith. EDC makes no certification that any item is without error. EDC is not responsible or liable for any use of the information or for any claims asserted therefrom.
2. This RFQ does not under any circumstances commit EDC to pay any costs incurred by the offeror in the submission of a quote. This is the offeror's responsibility.
3. All materials submitted in response to this RFQ shall become the property of EDC upon delivery to EDC.
4. Additional documentation may be required prior to selection.

2.3 Schedule of Events

The following schedule applies to this RFQ but may change in accordance with EDC's needs or unforeseen circumstances. Changes in this timeline will be announced as formal modifications to the RFQ.

TIME	DATE	Time Table
	Tuesday May 22, 2012	RFQ issued
5:00 p.m. EST	Friday May 25, 2012	Deadline for request for any clarifications from the EDC
5:00 p.m. EST	Wednesday May 30 2012	Estimated date for issuance of any clarifications by EDC
5:00 p.m. EST	Wednesday June 6, 2012	Deadline for submission of quotations
5:00 p.m. EST	Friday June 8, 2012	Estimated Date for Notification and to Offerors on Selection for Groups A and C
5:00 p.m. EST	Tuesday June 12, 2012	Purchase Order and Shipping Instructions issued to Selected Offeror for Groups A and C
5:00 p.m. EST	Wednesday June 13, 2012	Estimated Date for Notification to Offerors on Selection for Group B
5:00 p.m. EST	Friday June 15, 2012	Purchase Order and Shipping Instructions issued to Selected Offeror for Group B

3.1 Offeror's Understanding of the RFQ

In responding to this RFQ, the Offeror fully understands the RFQ in its entirety and in details, including making any inquiries to EDC as necessary to gain such understanding. Clarification questions must be submitted by potential offerors—in writing—by Friday, May 25, 2012, by 5:00 p.m. EST. Responses will be published in writing and e-mailed out to all offerors. EDC reserves the right to disqualify at its sole discretion any offeror who submits a quote that is not responsive or that demonstrates less than such understanding. That right extends to cancellation of the contract if a contract has been made. Such disqualification and/or cancellation shall be at no fault, cost, or liability whatsoever to EDC.

3.2 Communication

Verbal communication shall not be effective unless formally confirmed in writing by the EDC Contact Person in charge of managing this RFQ process. In no case shall verbal communication govern over written communications.

Offerors' inquiries, questions, and requests for clarification related to this RFQ are to be directed in writing in English before Friday, May 25, 2012, by 5:00 p.m. EST to:

Education Development Center, Inc.
Attention: Jessica Miranda
E-mail: jmiranda@edc.org
Subject Line: SRS Equipment

3.3 Proposal Submission

All responses to this RFQ must include the following:

1. A detailed quote of the items to be provided meeting EDC's needs outlined in Section 4 and is compliant with all technical specifications. If alternative solutions are also proposed (see Section 4 for which items allow for substitutions), please include technical specifications sheet and justification for the alternative.
2. A detailed price quote in accordance with Section 5.
3. Organizational Overview in accordance with Section 7.1

Quote must be delivered via e-mail to:

Education Development Center, Inc.
Attention: Jessica Miranda
E-mail: jmiranda@edc.org
Subject Line: SRS Equipment

All quotes must be received by EDC, before the deadline date and time, Wednesday, June 6, 2012, by 5:00 p.m. EST.

3.4 Evaluation Criteria and Method of Award

The evaluation of each response to this RFQ will be based on the following criteria:

- a. Adherence to the specifications in Section 4 of the RFQ
- b. Delivery timeline
- c. Price

3.4.1 Selection

EDC may award one or more contracts resulting from this RFQ to the offeror(s) whose quotation(s) conforming to this RFQ offer(s) the greatest value. EDC may also (a) reject any or all quotations, (b) accept other than the lowest cost quotation, (c) accept more than one quotation, (d) accept alternate quotations, and (e) waive informalities and minor irregularities in quotations received.

4. Technical Specifications & Requirements

4.1 Statement of Work

EDC would like to procure 10 transmitters for repeater stations and seven transmitters for translator stations to be built in South Sudan to expand the coverage of the current FM station. Offerors should provide their best price for the items listed below. The RFQ includes equipment in three groupings to facilitate the procurement of like items, which shall be referred to as:

- Group A: 1KW Repeaters and 300W Translators
- Group B: UPS, Power Conditioners, Cables
- Group C: Test Equipment, Spares for Juba FM, and Safety Equipment

Offerors may bid on any one grouping or all groups. Offerors who chose not to bid on a specific section must indicate "No Bid" on their quote. The offeror's quote for any single grouping must include all items in the grouping. Substitutions are not allowed for Groupings A and C. Substitutions are allowed however for Grouping B as long as detailed specification sheets and justifications for the substitutions are included in the quote. Offeror's may ask questions regarding substitutions during the Clarifications

period. All clarifications on substitutions must be submitted in writing in English before Friday, May 25, 2012, by 5:00 p.m. EST to the contact person indicated in Section 3.2, *Communication*.

All offerors must provide detailed warranty information in order for their quotation to be considered.

Timeline is critical for this procurement. Offerors must propose delivery schedule and pricing for the following grouping(s):

Group A: 1KW Repeaters and 300W Translators

Substitutions are **NOT** allowed.

Quantity	Model Number	Description	Comment
10		Crown FM1000 E Transmitters w RMS-2 remote units	for repeater site and 1 spare unit
7		Crown FM300 R translator package with digital tuner package	Transmitter for translator sites with 1 spare
2	201672-KIT	Crown FM150/300	Spares for translator sites
2	201671-KIT	Crown FM30	Spares for repeater sites
3	201674-KIT	Crown FM1K	Spares for repeater sites
3	200058-FRU-A	Crown FM1K	PA Module spare for repeater sites
2	200466-FRU	Crown FM30	Power Reg. FRU Spares for repeater sites
1	200467-FRU	Crown FM150/300	Power Reg. FRU Spares for translator sites
2	200741-FRU	Crown FM30	V Reg. FRU Spares for repeater sites
2	200742-FRU	Crown FM150/300	V Reg. FRU Spares or translator sites
1	200788-FRU	Crown Low Power, Low Pass Filter FRU	Spares for all sites
2	900230-1	Crown ASM,	OTPT Filter EIA Conn. Spares for repeater sites
1		Crown CT-1 Receiver	for R systems Spares for translator sites
2	200146-FRU	Crown Audio processor/stereo generator	Spares or 30 and 300 watt exciters to make standalone
1		Crown RMS-2 Remote control board	Spares for repeater sites
10		Omnia 1 Audio processors/Stereo Generator	For repeater sites and one spare
10		BNC to BNC jumpers	1 meter, processor to transmitter at repeater sites
10		BNC to BNC jumpers	2 meter, processor to transmitter at repeater sites
10		Broadcast tools SS 4.1 plus switcher/router	Switcher for repeater sites with spare
10		Broadcast tools RA-1 rack mount kit	for repeater site with spare
10		Numark MP103	USB cd player for repeater site with spare
10		SWR FMEV/2 BB	Vertical only transmit FM antenna for repeater sites with spare

12		Comrex Bric-Link internet stl. With ACC plus	IP stl for repeater and main site with spares
11		Comrex rack mount kit	Rack mount for Bric at repeater and main site
40		Neutrik NP3X TRS ¼" connectors silver	Interconnect connectors for all repeater and test sites
40		Neutrik NP3X TRS ¼" connectors black	Interconnect connectors for all repeater and test sites
50		Neutrik NC3MX male XRL connectors silver	Interconnect connectors for all repeater and test sites
50		Neutrik NC3MX male XRL connectors black	Interconnect connectors for all repeater and test sites
50		Neutrik NC3MX female XRL connectors silver	Interconnect connectors for all repeater and test sites
50		Neutrik NC3MX female XRL connectors black	Interconnect connectors for all repeater and test sites
2		Gepco D61801EZGF dual pair 22 ga. shield cable 500 ft	Interconnect cabling for all repeater and test sites
27		Andrew L4A-NMNM-3-P jumper	Jumpers for the Repeater site in the transmission lines
12		Andrew L4A-NMNM-6-P jumper	Jumpers for the Repeater site in the transmission lines
25		Andrew AL5NF-PSA 7/8" N connector	Connectors for transmission line repeater and test sites
4		Andrew AL5NM-PSA 7/8" N connector	Connectors for transmission line repeater and test sites
70		Andrew 42396A-5 7/8" hanger kits /10 each	Transmission line hardware for mounting to towers
24		Andrew L5S grip 7/8" cable grip	Transmission line hardware for mounting to towers
44		Andrew CSG15-15B4T grounding kit for AVA5-50	Transmission line hardware for mounting to towers
14		Andrew 40417 wire tie	Transmission line hardware for mounting to towers
70		Andrew 31768A-M angle adapter/ 10each	Transmission line hardware for mounting to towers
70		Andrew 243684-MH hardware pack /10 each	Transmission line hardware for mounting to towers
70		Andrew 31670-4 round member adapter /10 each	Transmission line hardware for mounting to towers
70		Andrew 31670-3 round member adapter/ 10 each	Transmission line hardware for mounting to towers
1		Andrew CPT78U cable prep tool	Prep tool for all 7/8" heliax at repeaters and test sites
1		Andrew CPT-BK5 replacement	for prep tool

		blades	
15		Andrew 9905-71 sealing tape	2 inch
20		3M Scotch 88 electrical tape	
2		package of 4" 18lb wire ties UV black	1000 count
2		package of 8" 40lb wire ties UV black	1000 count
2		package of 12" 40lb wire ties UV black	1000 count
12		ERI RLA050-NF (2260B) 7/8EIA to N adapter or equivalent	For all repeaters and test site. Also for the test meter
12		ERI RLA050-051.5 7/8" EIA inner connector or equivalent	For adapters
10		Middle Atlantic ERK 4020 rack or equivalent	with lockable glass front door and solid back door, vented top and sides, 230v HD fan kit
5		Middle Atlantic HW100 screw pack	For all sites, screws to hold equipment in racks
4		Middle Atlantic EB2 pack blank plates	10 each
4		Middle Atlantic EB1 pack blank plates	10 each
10		Raxxess Standard Rack Utility Shelf 1 Space	Blank shelf's for repeater sites
7		DDB unlimited OD-30DX 30" enclosure w/dc fan kit	Enclosure for fm transmitter for translator sites
7		SWR FMEV/1 BB Vertical only transmit FM antenna	Transmit antenna for the translator site
32		Master Lock Brass locks with changeable combination	Locks for translator sites
7		Kathrein-Scala CL-FMRX/VRM FM receive antenna	Receive antenna for translator site
24		Andrew L4TNF-PSA ½" connector	Connectors for translator sites
24		Andrew L4TNM-PSA ½" connector	Connectors for translator site
1		Andrew CPT-L4ARC1 ½" prep tool	Prep tool for Connectors for translator site
7		Andrew 43094 ½" cable grip	Cable grip for translator sites
3		Andrew 40417 wire ties 100 per package	Cable ties for translator site
25		Andrew L4A-NMNM-3-P jumper	Jumpers for translator sites
14		Polyphaser IS-B50LN-C1 surge protector	Lightning protectors for transmit and receive lines at translator sites

Grouping B: Cable, UPS, and Power Conditioners

Substitutions are allowed. Detailed specification sheets must be submitted, as well as a justification for the substitution.

Quantity	Model Number	Description	Comment
11		APC SMART 3000 SMX3000RMHV2U	UPS for repeater sites and test setup with spare
11		Furman PL8CE	power conditioner for repeater sites and test site...
60		Furman ADP-10E1	Ac interconnect cables for repeater and test sites
25		Furman ADP-10E2	Ac interconnect cables for repeater and test sites
20		IEC 320 C19 2 meter cords	Ac interconnect cables for repeater and test sites
12		IEC320 C19 to C20 1 meter cable (red)	Ac interconnect cables for repeater and test sites
12		IEC320 C19 to C20 1 meter cable (blue)	Ac interconnect cables for repeater and test sites
12		IEC320 C19 to C20 2 meter cable (Red)	Ac interconnect cables for repeater and test sites
12		IEC320 C19 to C20 2 meter cable (blue)	Ac interconnect cables for repeater and test sites
1		2500 ft Andrew AVA5-50 Heliac	Transmission cable for all repeater sites
1		1200 ft Andrew LDF4-50A	Transmission and receive line for translator sites

Group C: Test Equipment, Spares for Juba FM, and Safety Equipment

Substitutions are **NOT** allowed.

Quantity	Model Number	Description	Comment
1		Bird 43-N meter with case	Mobile test meter
1		Bird 100B power slug	For mobile test meter
1		Bird 1000B power slug	For mobile test meter
10		Alesis M1 active 320 powered speakers	to monitor signals at all sites
1		Inovonics 531 modulation monitor	Test unit for all sites
1		Bird 8251 1000 watt dummy load	Main base for support and testing at Juba and remote sites
1		BE power module for BE FM2C	Spare power module for Juba transmitter

1		Flight Light 74-L864LEDNV-24/48 L864 LED Flashing Beacon 24/48 VDC Includes Surge Arrestor, Night Vision Compatible	LED tower light for the top of the Juba tower, for safety of airplanes at night
1	SL-MAPPS-100-108-24	SL-MAPPS-100-108-24 MAPPS 100 Watt PV Power System 24V 108 Amp-hr Battery w/ 2-G31 Enclosure Each MAPPS 50-108-12 includes the following: Solar PV Array Solar Mounting Structure System Equipment Enclosure Solar Charge Controller Battery Bank Miscellaneous Solar PV array wiring harness, Battery/control system wiring harness, overload protection, installation/operation manual, electrical schematics	Solar array system to power tower light on Juba tower for safety of airplanes at night.
1	S362E	Anritsu Site Master™ Cable & Antenna Analyzer + Spectrum Analyzer S362E	Test unit for all sites in Sudan
2		Goggles - for eye protection	It is recommended that Goggles conforming to BSEN 166, BSEN 167 and BSEN 168 protecting against; (Dust and strong winds).
2 Pairs		Gloves - worn while working on masts and towers	Gloves are recommended that they should be of adequate strength and should not impede movement.
2		Safety Helmets – for head protection	Climbers Helmets of standard BS4423 or UIAA, (required for protection against falling objects or against close impact on the structure).
2		Full Body Harness	A full body harness shall be used while working on masts and towers and should conform to BSEN361 standard.
2		Tool Lanyards	2 Meter hand tools tether lanyard, must have built in shock absorber.
2		Close Working Attachment/Pole belt	Must conform to current BSEN358 e.g. polestrap 2m x 16mm nylon rope incorporating a proprietary double action snap hook.

4.2 Shipment

North American Offerors

EDC will select a shipping company to consolidate the purchases and ship to EDC's offices in South Sudan. To assist bidders in preparing the quote, illustrative shipping costs must be included in the quote and can be quoted based on shipping by air or ground (please indicate which one) to EDC's office at:

1025 Thomas Jefferson Street, NW Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20007 USA

Estimated delivery schedule must be included in the quote. Estimated weight and dimensions of packages must also be included in the quote. Final shipping instructions will be provided to the selected offeror(s).

FOB destination, freight pre-paid and charged back. A packing list must be included with each shipment and must be e-mailed to the EDC point of contact upon shipment.

Offerors outside of North America

For offerors in East Africa or any point outside of North America, offeror will submit a quote with estimated shipping costs to Juba, South Sudan. The selected vendor must indicate whether the shipment will be air, ground or ocean. All shipments must be on a US flag carrier with delivery to Juba, South Sudan.

Estimated delivery schedule must be included in the quote. Estimated weight and dimensions of packages must also be included in the quote.

FOB destination, freight pre-paid and charged back. A packing list must be included with each shipment and must be e-mailed to the EDC point of contact upon shipment.

All Offerors

Shipping can be quoted for the entire shipment and can be combined for any groups referenced above for offerors quoting on more than one group. ***For all offerors, the vendor must indicate which items can be shipped within 5 business days of receiving a signed purchase order from EDC. Offeror must indicate which items require more than 5 business days and propose a delivery schedule for those items.*** All offerors must provide a clear timeline for shipment in order for their quotation to be considered.

EDC will obtain customs/tax exclusions for entry into South Sudan. All of the specifications listed above must be met. EDC will not pay VAT or customs taxes on shipment.

All deliveries must be insured.

5. Price Proposal Requirements

The price quotation **must** include the costs for the items separately – package discounts are not allowed. The price quotation must be in US Dollars (for offerors outside of South Sudan) or in South Sudanese Pounds (for offerors in South Sudan). All offerors must provide a price guarantee that the quotation price remains valid for 30 days. Shipping costs must also be included.

EDC will not pay for any costs incurred by the offeror in preparation of a quote in response to this RFQ.

6. Mode of Payment

Upon signing contract by both parties payment time line will be as follows:

1. Order approved by EDC via Purchase Order - 25%
2. Upon shipment - 25%

3. Final payment based on verification of items arrived – 50%

7. Organization Overview and Offeror Certification

7.1 Organization Overview

In order for the quote or proposal to be considered, the offeror must submit an overview of the organization which must include the following:

- Full legal name of the company.
- Year the organization was established.
- Proof of organization's registration in country of operation.
- Demonstrated ability for the organization to legally operate in the country of operation.
- Contact information regarding the quote to include the following:
 - (a) the individual(s) full name and title,
 - (b) full office address,
 - (c) telephone and fax number,
 - (d) e-mail address
- A list of the offeror's key individuals including:
 - (a) the principal officers of the organization's governing body (e.g., chairman, vice chairman, treasurer and secretary of the board of directors or board of trustees);
 - (b) the principal officer and deputy principal officer of the organization (e.g., executive director, deputy director, president, vice president);
 - (c) the program manager(s) for the proposed contract;
 - (d) any other person who will have significant responsibilities for administration of the US Government-financed activities or resources under the proposed delivery of the commodities.
- Names, e-mail addresses, phone numbers and contact people at three organizations who have been clients of the offeror during the last 18 months, whom EDC can call on as references. Offerors should provide references from projects similar in size, application, and scope and include a brief description of the implementation of the project.
- Information regarding any current litigation in which the offeror, or any of the entities in the collaboration, are involved, regardless of jurisdiction where the litigation resides.

Offerors that currently have a Dun & Bradstreet Number are requested to provide this information. Offerors who are not registered with Dun & Bradstreet may do so at http://www.dnb.com/us/duns_update/. There is no charge for this registration. A Dun & Bradstreet Number is not required for submission of a quote, but may be required before a contract is issued. Whether or not an offeror currently has a Dun & Bradstreet number will not affect the evaluation of the offeror's quote.

7.2 Organizational Certification

In order for the quote to be considered, the offeror must complete and submit the organizational certification included in Annex A to this RFQ.

7.3 Vetting

EDC will vet all organizations to ensure that companies are eligible to receive U.S. Government funding in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. The vetting process includes cross-checking of individuals and organizations against several published lists of excluded parties.

8. Additional Provisions

1. The attention of prospective bidders is drawn to:
 - i. The fact that they will be required to certify in their bids that all software is either covered by a valid license or was produced by the Bidder and
 - ii. That violation is considered fraud, which is, among other remedies, punishable by potential blacklisting from participation in future USAID-financed procurement.
2. The bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid, and the purchaser will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs.
3. Bidders are expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, specifications, and other information in the RFQ. Failure to furnish all information required by the RFQ or to submit a bid not substantially responsive to the RFQ in every respect will be at the Bidder's risk and may result in the rejection of its bid.
4. Locally supplied Goods:

Unit prices of Goods offered from within South Sudan, shall be quoted on an EXW (ex factory, ex works, ex warehouse or off-the-shelf, as applicable) basis, including all customs duties, levies, fees, sales and other taxes incurred until delivery of the Goods, but excluding all VAT or sales and other taxes and duties/fees incurred for the Goods at the time of invoicing or sales transaction, if the contract is awarded.
5. Manufacturer's Authorizations for Information Technologies - except for those technologies, which the bidder itself manufactures - are required for the following types/categories: All active (i.e. powered) equipment and all software as appropriate. The **original signatures** are needed for manufacturer authorization forms.
6. Software License Agreements:

Except to the extent that the Intellectual Property Rights in the Software vest in the Purchaser, the Supplier hereby grants to the Purchaser license to access and use the Software, including all inventions, designs, and marks embodied in the Software.
7. Inspections and Tests:
 - i. The Purchaser or its representative shall have the right to inspect and/or test any components of the system, as specified in the Technical Requirements, to confirm their good working order and/or conformity to the contract at the point of delivery and/or at the project Site.
 - ii. Should the inspected or tested components fail to conform to the specifications, the Purchaser may reject the component(s), and the Supplier shall either replace the rejected component(s), or make alterations as necessary so that it meets the contract requirements free of cost to the Purchaser.
8. Defect Liability:
 - i. The Supplier warrants that the System, including all Information Technologies, Materials, and other Goods supplied and Services provided, shall be free from defects in the design, engineering, materials, and workmanship that prevent the System and/or any of its components from fulfilling the Technical Requirements or that limit in a material fashion the performance, reliability, or extensibility of the System and/or Subsystems. Commercial warranty provisions of products supplied under the contract shall apply to the extent that they do not conflict with the provisions of this contract.

- ii. The Supplier also warrants that the Information Technologies, Materials, and other Goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, and incorporate all recent improvements in design that materially affect the System's or Subsystem's ability to fulfill the Technical Requirements.
- 9. In addition, the Supplier warrants that:
 - i. All Goods components to be incorporated into the System form part of the Supplier's and/or Subcontractor's current product lines,
 - ii. They have been previously released to the market.
- 10. Warranty Period:
 - i. The Warranty Period shall begin from the date of Operational Acceptance of the System or subsystem and extend for a minimum of **12 months**.
- 11. General Technical Requirements
 - i. Language support: All information technologies must provide support for the **English Language**. Specifically all display technologies and software's must support the ISO and other international standards as specified in the detailed specifications.
 - ii. Dates: All information technologies must properly display, calculate and transmit date data, including but not restricted to 21st Century date data.
 - iii. Electrical Power: All active (powered) equipment must operate on 220v +/-20v, 50Hz+/- 2Hz. All active equipment must include standard South Sudan power plugs
 - iv. Environmental: Unless otherwise specified, all equipments must operate in environments of 10-45°C, 20-80% relative humidity and 0-40 grammes per cubic meter of dust.
 - v. All the software systems must support the open system architecture standards
 - vi. All equipment and software **MUST** support the IP standards, IPv4 and IPv6.

Annex A—Organizational Certification

This certification attests to the Offeror's awareness and agreement to the content of this RFQ and all accompanying calendar schedules and terms and provisions contained herein.

The Offeror must ensure that this certification is duly completed and correctly executed by an authorized officer of the Offeror's company.

1. This quote is submitted in response to an RFQ issued by EDC. The undersigned is a duly authorized officer, hereby certifies that:

(Offeror Name)

Agrees to be bound by the content of this quote and agrees to comply with the terms, conditions and provisions of the referenced RFQ. The quote shall remain in effect for a period of 30 calendar days as of the Due Date of the RFQ.

2. The undersigned further certify that their firm (check one):

☐ IS

☐ IS NOT

Currently debarred, suspended, or proposed for debarment by any United States federal entity. The undersigned agree to notify EDC of any change in this status, should one occur, until such time as an award has been made under this procurement action.

3. The offeror, by checking the applicable box, certifies that –

(a) If the offeror is a **U.S. entity**,

1. it operates as ☐ a corporation incorporated under the laws of the State of _____ (state), ☐ an individual, ☐ a partnership, ☐ a nongovernmental nonprofit organization, ☐ a state or local governmental organization, ☐ a private college or university, ☐ a public college or university, ☐ an international organization, or ☐ a joint venture;

2. its status* is (check all that apply; see Annex B for standard definitions):

☐ Small Business (SB) (self certification)

☐ Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB) (self certification)

☐ HUBZone Small Business (self-certification not available), certification issued by

☐ Woman Owned Small Business (WOSB) (self certification)

☐ Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB) (self-certification)

☐ Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business Concern (SDVOSP) (self-certification)

☐ Large Business (LB)

☐ Other Certification, certification: _____

3. ☐ In addition to the above, the offeror complies with the Small Business Administration's Table of Size Standards. (See www.sba.gov for additional information.)

OR

(b) If the offeror is a **non-U.S. entity**, it operates as ☐ a corporation organized under the laws of _____ (country), ☐ an individual, ☐ a partnership, ☐ a nongovernmental nonprofit organization, ☐ a nongovernmental educational institution, ☐ a governmental organization, ☐ an international organization, or ☐ a joint venture.

4. Person[s] authorized to negotiate on behalf of this firm for purposes of this RFQ are:

Name:	_____	Title:	_____
Signature:	_____	Date:	_____
Name:	_____	Title:	_____
Signature:	_____	Date:	_____

Signature of Authorized Officer:

Name:	_____	Title:	_____
Signature:	_____	Date:	_____

Notification: Under 15 U.S.C. 645(d), any person who misrepresents its firm's size status shall (1) be punished by a fine, imprisonment, or both; (2) be subject to administrative remedies; and (3) be ineligible for participation in programs conducted under the authority of the Small Business Act.

**If you are certified or a member of one of the qualifying groups, please register with Dun & Bradstreet at http://www.dnb.com/us/duns_update/. There is no charge for this registration.*

Annex B—Definitions (U.S. Entities Only)

Small Business (SB)

A small business, means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in its field of operation, and meets the SBA's criteria for the NAICS (<http://www.census.gov/eos/www/naics/>) industry to which it belongs. Currently, a small business certification process is not required for Federal contracts. When submitting a quote, simply self-certify by checking the appropriate box.

Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)

A Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB) is a small business that is at least 51 percent owned by one or more individuals who are both socially and economically disadvantaged.

The SBA defines socially disadvantaged groups as those who have been, historically, subjected to "racial or ethnic prejudice or cultural bias" within the larger American culture. Identified groups include: African Americans, Asian Pacific Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans and Subcontinent Asian Americans. Members of other groups may qualify if they can satisfactorily demonstrate that they meet established criteria.

Economically disadvantaged individuals are defined as those for whom impaired access to financial opportunities has hampered the ability to compete in the free enterprise system, in contrast to people in similar businesses who are not identified as socially disadvantaged.

HUBZone Small Business - Historically Underutilized Business Zone

A small business concern that appears on the list of Qualified HUBZones Small Businesses maintained by the US Small Business Administration. To determine if your business is located in a HUBZone, or to apply online, go to The Small Business Administration's HUBZone website <https://eweb1sp.sba.gov/hubzone/internet/index.cfm>.

Woman-owned Small Business (WOSB)

A small business that is at least 51 percent owned and actively managed by one or more women with either U.S. citizenship or U.S. resident alien status. Learn more at SBA's Office of Women's Business Ownership at <http://www.sba.gov/aboutsba/sbaprograms/onlinewbc/index.html>.

Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB)

A small business concern that is:

- i. At least 51% unconditionally owned by one or more veterans as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51% of the stock of which is unconditionally owned by one or more veterans; and
- ii. The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

Learn more at SBA's Office of Veterans Business Development <http://www.sba.gov/aboutsba/sbaprograms/ovbd/index.html>.

Service Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Concern (SDVOSB)

A small business concern that is:

- i. At least 51% unconditionally owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51% of the stock of which is unconditionally owned by one or more service-disabled veterans, and;

- ii. The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service disabled veterans, or in the case of a service disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.

“Service Disabled Veteran” means a veteran, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(2), with a disability that is service connected as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(16). Learn more at the US Dept. of Veteran Affairs

<http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/main.asp>.

NAICS

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) is the standard used by Federal statistical agencies in classifying business establishments for the purpose of collecting, analyzing, and publishing statistical data related to the U.S. business economy. For more information go to NAICS at

<http://www.census.gov/eos/www/naics/>.