

REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS (RFQ) (THIS IS NOT AN ORDER)				PAGE OF 1	PAGES 12
1. RFQ NO. <b>DCTO-2008-Q-0043</b>	2. DATE ISSUED January 16, 2008	3. REQUISITION NO. RQ389245	4. TYPE OF MARKET X Open - Set Aside _ Open with Subcontracting Set Aside		
5A. ISSUED BY:  Government of the District of Columbia (District) Office of Contracting and Procurement Information Technology Group 441 4 <sup>th</sup> Street N.W., Suite 971 North Washington, D.C. 20001			6. DELIVERY <b>Immediately upon notification of contract award.</b>		
5B. FOR INFORMATION CALL: (Name and telephone no.) (No collect calls) Veronica Singh Phone (202) 727-8704, Fax (202) 727-1679 Veronica.singh@dc.gov			7. DELIVERY METHOD  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FOB DESTINATION <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (See Schedule)		
8A. TO: NAME AND ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE, OF QUOTER  <b>ALL OFFERORS</b>			9. DESTINATION FOR DELIVERY OF GOODS OR SERVICES ORDERED  Office of the Chief Technology Officer 441 4 <sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1030 South Washington, DC 20001		
8B. TAX ID NO. OF QUOTER:					
10. PLEASE FURNISH QUOTATIONS ON OR BEFORE:  <b>January 28, 2008, 2:00 PM</b> <b>(BID ROOM ONLY) 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W.</b> <b>Suite 703 South</b>		11A. PLEASE STATE YOUR LSDBE CERTIFICATION NUMBER BELOW (Attach Copy)			
		11B. IF YOU HAVE A DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SUPPLY SCHEDULE (DCSS) CONTRACT FOR THESE ITEMS, PLEASE ENTER THE CONTRACT NUMBER BELOW:			
<b>12. INSTRUCTIONS TO QUOTERS AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS</b>					
<b>Instructions to Quoters:</b> Please complete Blocks 8B, 11A, 11(B) if applicable, 13(E), 13(F), 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, as well as submission of technical and price quotations as outlined in this solicitation, submit one (1) original and three (3) copies of <u>signed</u> quotations to Office of Contracting and Procurement, 441 4 <sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 703 (Bid Room), Washington, D.C. 20001. This is the <u>only</u> authorized method of submitting a quotation for this RFQ. All quotations must be received no later than the date and time stated in block 10 of this RFQ.					
<b>Terms and Conditions:</b> SEE ATTACHED.					
<b>13. SCHEDULE (Include applicable Federal, State and local taxes and all delivery charges)</b>					
ITEM NO. (A)	SUPPLIES/SERVICES (B)	ESTIMATED QUANTITY (C)	UNIT (D)	UNIT PRICE (E)	AMOUNT (F)
	<b>See attached Statement of Work</b>			On-Site	On-Site
0001	One (1) Statement of Work Writer – Base Period	2000	Hours	\$	\$
1001	Option Period One (1) – Statement of Work Writers	2000	Hours	\$	\$
1002	Option Period Two (2) – Statement of Work Writers	2000	Hours	\$	\$
1003	Option Period Three (3) – Statement of Work Writers	2000	Hours	\$	\$
1004	Option Period Four (4) – Statement of Work Writers	2000	Hours	\$	\$
TOTAL AMOUNT					\$
14. NAME AND ADDRESS OF QUOTER (Street, city, county, State and ZIP Code)			15. SIGNATURE OF PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN QUOTATION (ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES <b>NOT</b> ACCEPTABLE)		16. DATE OF QUOTATION
			17. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		18. TELEPHONE NO. (Include area code)

## 1. **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

This is a Request for Quotations (RFQ) issued under the small purchase procedures outlined in Title 27, District of Columbia Municipal Regulations, Chapter 18, Section 1802.3. The terms Quote/Quoter and Offer/Offeror are used interchangeably in this RFQ, as are the terms RFQ and solicitation, and the terms submission, quote and proposal, and the terms contract and Purchase Order (PO). Quotations submitted are Offers that the District can accept by issuing a PO. This RFQ is issued in the Open Market for All Offerors. The District will apply preferences in evaluating submissions from District-certified LSDBEs. If you are unable to submit a quote, please so indicate on this form and return it.

The District may award a single or multiple contract(s) resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror(s) whose offer(s) conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the District, cost or price, technical and other factors specified elsewhere in this solicitation. **The District may award from 1-2 positions to fill the current requirement.**

- 1.1 The District may award contracts on the bases of initial offers received, without discussion. Therefore, each initial offer should contain the Offeror's best terms from a standpoint of cost or price, technical and other factors.

## 2. **PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE AND CONTRACT TYPE**

The contract awarded from this solicitation will be a labor hour contract. The period of performance for the base period will be 2000 hours from date of award through twelve (12) months thereafter, with the option to renew for four (4) additional option periods of 2000 hours each, or successive fractions thereof, by written notice to the Contractor before the expiration of the contract; provided that the District will give the Contractor a preliminary written notice of its intent to extend at least thirty (30) days before the contract expires. The preliminary notice does not commit the District to an extension. The exercise of this option is subject to the availability of funds at the time of the exercise of this option. The Contractor may waive the thirty (30) day preliminary notice requirement by providing a written waiver to the Contracting Officer prior to expiration of the contract. The quoter/offeror shall submit a price for the base period and each option period. If the District exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option provision. The price for the option period shall be as specified in the contract. The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed four (4) years.

**3. CONTRACTING OFFICER (CO)**

Contracts will be entered into and signed on behalf of the District, or Purchase Orders issued on behalf of the District, only by Contracting Officers. The name, address and telephone number of the Contracting Officer is:

Annie R. Watkins, CPM, CPPB  
Contracting Officer  
Office of Contracting and Procurement  
OCTO  
441 - 4th Street, N.W., 9th Floor  
Washington, DC 20001  
202/727-5274  
202/727-1679 fax  
[annie.watkins@dc.gov](mailto:annie.watkins@dc.gov)  
Website: [ocp.dc.gov](http://ocp.dc.gov)

**4. AUTHORIZED CHANGES BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER**

The Contracting Officer is the only person authorized to approve changes in any of the requirements of this contract. The Contractor shall not comply with any order, directive or request that changes or modifies the requirements of this contract, unless issued in writing and signed by the Contracting Officer, or a valid changed PO is issued by the Contracting Officer. In the event the Contractor effects any change at the instruction or request of any person other than the Contracting Officer, the change will be considered to have been made without authority and no adjustment will be made in the contract price to cover any cost increase incurred as a result thereof.

**4.5 HIRING OF EMPLOYEES**

By accepting this order or contract, the Contractor agrees that the District, at its discretion, after completion of order or contract period, may hire the individual performing services as a result of this order or contract, without restriction, penalties or fees.

**5. CONTRACTING OFFICER'S TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE (COTR)**

The COTR is responsible for general administration of the contract and advising the Contracting Officer as to the Contractor's compliance or noncompliance with the contract. In addition, the COTR is responsible for the day-to-day monitoring and supervision of the contract, of ensuring that the work conforms to the requirements of this contract and such other responsibilities and authorities as may be specified in the contract. The COTR for this contract shall be designated upon award of the contract. The COTR shall not have authority to make any changes in the specifications or scope of work or terms and conditions of the contract. The Contractor may be held fully responsible for any changes not authorized in advance, in writing, by the Contracting Officer; may be denied compensation or other relief for any additional work performed that is not so authorized; and may also be required, at no additional cost to the District, to take all corrective action necessitated by reason of the unauthorized changes.

## 6. ADVISORY AND ASSISTANCE SERVICES

The contract is a “nonpersonal services contract”. It is therefore, understood and agreed that the Contractor and/or the Contractor’s employees: (1) shall perform the services specified herein as independent Contractors, not as employees of the government; (2) shall be responsible for their own management and administration of the work required to bear sole responsibility for complying with any and all technical, schedule, financial requirements or constraints attendant to the performance of this contract; (3) shall be free from supervision or control by any government employee with respect to the manner or method of performance of the service specified; but (4) shall, pursuant to the government’s right and obligation to inspect, accept or reject work, comply with such general direction of the CO, or the duly authorized representative of the CO as is necessary to ensure accomplishment of the contract objectives.

## 7. DELIVERY OF WORK PRODUCT/INSTRUCTION FROM COTR

- 7.1 The Contractor shall follow the procedures and rules of the Government of the District of Columbia, and additional instructions that the District COTR may direct. During performance under this contract and/or at completion of work, the Contractor shall provide orderly hand-over of work products and deliverables to the District COTR, including all documentation, electronic or otherwise, created during performance of the contract. All work product produced under the contract is at all times the property of the District.
- 7.2 In addition, the Contractor shall:
- 7.2.1 Ensure that all work is performed on District premises, unless otherwise approved in writing by the COTR;
- 7.2.2 Be specifically responsible for assuring that personnel have high end laptops with Window XP Professional and necessary communication equipment. Unless otherwise specified, Contractor staff shall work onsite at the designated District site during normal business hours. **TRAVEL IS NOT REIMBURSABLE; IT MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE HOURLY RATE.**
- 7.2.3 The Contractor shall provide weekly timesheets, in the formats supplied by the District, reporting all time worked by person’s name, days worked, and time worked. Each person is billable only to a maximum of eight (8) hours per day, 40 hours per week unless written prior approval has been issued by the COTR. Contractor must provide timely, necessary information to allow the District to calculate “earned value”.
- 7.2.4 Collect and document project constraints for cost, schedule, and quality. Obtain approval from the Contracting Officer for proposed scope changes.
- 7.2.5 Throughout the performance of the above items, coordinate with District employees and other consultants/Contractors employed by the District.
- 7.2.6 Provide sufficient support after submission of deliverables and work products, as necessary to clarify the contents of deliverables to the District.

- 7.2.7 Continuously monitor the status of Contractor's work hereunder and update status, providing District management timely information regarding possible problems and proposed action required to mitigate such problems.
- 7.2.8 Prepare and present weekly reports, throughout the performance of the Contractor's work, setting out current and upcoming activities, decisions required and issues of concern.
- 7.2.9 Provide reporting and communications in copies and form requested by the designated District representative.
- 7.2.10 The COTR is responsible for the technical administration of the contract and advising the Contracting Officer (CO) as to the Contractor's compliance or noncompliance with the contract. In addition, the COTR is responsible for the day-to-day monitoring and supervision of the contract, of ensuring that the work conforms to the requirements of the contract and such other responsibilities and authorities as may be specified in writing by the CO. The COTR for this requirement is:

Jonathan McLaughlin  
PMO Director  
Office of the Chief Technology Officer  
441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W, Suite 930 South  
Washington, D.C. 20001  
Telephone Number: (202) 727-2277

- 7.2.11 It is understood and agreed that the COTR **shall not have** the authority to make changes in the specifications/scope of work or terms and conditions of the contract.
- 7.2.12 The Contractor shall be held fully responsible for any changes not authorized in advance, in writing, by the CO, and may be denied compensation or other relief for any additional work performed that is not so authorized, and may also be required, at no additional cost to the District, to take all corrective action necessitated by reason of the unauthorized changes.
- 7.2.13 The Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR), unless the representative expressly assigns a designee, is responsible for oversight and acceptance on all matters pertaining to the contract performance, other than those reserved to the Contracting Officer.
- 7.2.14 The District reserves the right to interview and otherwise verify qualifications of proposed contractor staff and reject any proposed candidates who do not meet District's requirements. Candidate Consultant expertise and relevant background and skills is the primary consideration.

Contractor acknowledges that the District may direct the contractor to remove any contractor staff that the District finds unacceptable, and the contractor shall immediately remove (and replace with new individual satisfactory to the District, if requested) such

personnel. Contractor shall notify the District no less than 30 days in advance of any proposed change in personnel associated with this contract. The District reserves the right to review, interview and/or approve any proposed replacement candidates.

**8. INSURANCE**

8.1 Contractor shall procure and maintain, during the entire period of performance under this contract, the types of insurance specified below. The Contractor shall submit a certificate of insurance giving evidence of the required coverages prior to commencing work. All insurance shall be written with responsible companies licensed by the District of Columbia's Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking. The Contractor shall require all subcontractors to carry the insurance required herein, or Contractor may, at its option, provide the coverage for any or all subcontractors, and if so, the evidence of insurance submitted shall so stipulate. All insurance provided by the Contractor as required by this section, except comprehensive automobile liability insurance, shall set forth the District as an additional named insured. The insurance shall provide for 30 days' prior written notice to be given to the District in the event coverage is substantially changed, canceled or non-renewed. If the insurance provided is not in compliance with all the requirements herein, the District maintains the right to stop work until proper evidence is provided.

- (a) Commercial General Liability Insurance: \$1,000,000 limits per occurrence, District added as an additional insured.
- (b) Automobile Liability Insurance: \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit.
- (c) Worker's Compensation Insurance: according to the statutes of the District of Columbia, including Employer's Liability, \$100,000 per accident for injury, \$100,000 per employee for disease, \$500,000 policy limit for disease.

**9. INVOICE PAYMENT**

The District will make payments to the Contractor, upon the submission of proper invoices, at the prices stipulated in this contract, for supplies delivered and accepted or services performed and accepted, less any discounts, allowances or adjustments provided for in this contract. The District will pay the Contractor on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> day after receiving a proper invoice from the Contractor. The Contractor shall submit proper invoices no more frequently than on a monthly basis or as otherwise specified in the order or by the COTR. Invoices shall be prepared in duplicate and submitted to the agency Chief Financial Officer (CFO) with concurrent copies to the Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR) specified in this solicitation. The address of the CFO is:

**Name:** OCTO Agency CFO  
Accounts Payable Division  
**Address:** 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
Suite 930S  
Washington, D.C. 20001  
**Telephone:** (202) 727-2277

**Fax:** 202-727-1216

**E-mail:** [octo.accountspayable@dc.gov](mailto:octo.accountspayable@dc.gov)

To constitute a proper invoice, the Contractor shall submit the following information:

(a) Contractor's name and invoice date (Contractors are encouraged to date invoices as close to the date of mailing or transmittal as possible.);

(b) Contract number and Encumbrance Code (PO Number). Assignment of an invoice number by the Contractor is also recommended;

(c) Description, price, quantity, dates and the percent (%) of work actually performed;

(d) The original and two (2) copies of invoices for cost reimbursable expenses, if authorized by the contract;

(e) Other supporting documentation or information, as required by the Contracting Officer;

(f) Name, title, telephone number and complete mailing address of the responsible official to whom payment is to be sent;

(g) Name, title, phone number of person preparing the invoice;

(h) Name, title, phone number and mailing address of person; and authorized signature.

(i) Monthly bills must be broken down by rate, person, hours, and task as an attachment to each bill, with approved District timesheets.

## **10. EVALUATION FACTORS**

10.1 The District intends, but is not obligated, to make more than one award to the responsible Quoter(s) whose quote is most advantageous to the District, based upon the evaluation criteria specified in the solicitation. Thus, while the points in the evaluation criteria indicate their relative importance, the total scores will not necessarily be determinative of the award. Rather, the total scores will guide the District in making an intelligent award decision based upon the evaluation criteria. The Technical Rating Scale is as follows:

<u>Numeric Rating</u>	<u>Adjective</u>	<u>Description</u>
0	Unacceptable	Fails to meet minimum requirements; <i>e.g.</i> , no demonstrated capacity, major deficiencies which are not correctable; offeror did not address the factor.
1	Poor	Marginally meets minimum requirements; major deficiencies which may be correctable.
2	Minimally Acceptable	Marginally meets minimum requirements; minor deficiencies which may be correctable.
3	Acceptable	Meets requirements; no deficiencies.
4	Good	Meets requirements and exceeds some requirements; no deficiencies.
5	Excellent	Exceeds most, if not all requirements; no deficiencies.

For example, if a sub factor has a point evaluation of 0 to 10 points, and (using the Technical Rating Scale) the District evaluates as "good" the part of the proposal applicable to the sub factor, the score for the sub factor is 8 (4/5 of 10). The sub factor scores will be added together to determine the score for the factor level.

**10.2** Award(s) will be based on the following technical evaluation factors (in descending order of importance):

**1. Experience in performing the tasks outlined in the SOW - 30 Points**

The Offeror has demonstrated that it has successfully provided similar services to similar clients.

**2. Knowledge and skills pertaining to the tasks outlined in the SOW – 20 Points**

The Offeror has demonstrated knowledge and skills that strengthens the offeror's capability to successfully provide candidates that possess the capabilities, credentials and experience requirements described in the Statement of Work (Attachment A).

**3. Past Performance - 20 Points**

Offeror must have the Past Performance Evaluation Form (Attachment C) completed by at least three (3) entities for whom similar services have been provided in the past. The forms must be submitted with the proposal.

**10.4 PRICE CRITERIA 30 Points**

The price evaluation will be objective. The Offeror with the lowest price (base plus options) will receive the maximum price points. All other proposals will receive a proportionately lower total score. The following formula will be used to determine each Offeror's evaluated price score:

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Lowest price proposal} \\ \text{-----} \end{array} \times 30 = \text{Evaluated price score} \\ \text{Price of proposal being evaluated}$$

The District will evaluate offers for award purposes by evaluating the total price for all options as well as the base period. Evaluation of options shall not obligate the District to exercise them. The District's requirements may change during the option years. Quantities to be awarded will be determined at the time each option is exercised.

**10.5 PREFERENCE POINTS (12 Points)**

**10.6 TOTAL (112 Points)**

**11.0 PREFERENCES FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES, DISADVANTAGED BUSINESSES, RESIDENT-OWNED BUSINESSES, SMALL BUSINESSES, LONGTIME RESIDENT BUSINESSES, OR LOCAL BUSINESSES WITH PRINCIPAL OFFICES LOCATED IN AN ENTERPRISE ZONE**

Under the provisions of the “Small, Local, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Development and Assistance Act of 2005” (the Act), Title II, Subtitle N, of the “Fiscal Year 2006 Budget Support Act of 2005”, D.C. Law 16-33, effective October 20, 2005, as amended, the District shall apply preferences in evaluating bids or proposals from businesses that are small, local, disadvantaged, resident-owned, longtime resident, or local with a principal office located in an enterprise zone of the District of Columbia.

**11.1 GENERAL PREFERENCES**

**For evaluation purposes, the allowable preferences under the Act for this procurement are as follows:**

**11.1.1** The addition of three points on a 100 point scale for a small business enterprise (SBE) certified by the Small and Local Business Opportunity Commission (SLBOC) or the Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD), as applicable;

**11.1.2** The addition of five points on a 100 point scale for a resident-owned business enterprise (ROB) certified by the SLBOC or the DSLBD, as applicable;

**11.1.3** The addition of ten points on a 100 point scale for a longtime resident business (LRB) certified by the SLBOC or the DSLBD, as applicable;

**11.1.4** The addition of two points on a 100-point scale for a local business enterprise (LBE) certified by the SLBOC or the DSLBD, as applicable;

**11.1.5** The addition of two points on a 100-point scale for a local business enterprise with its principal office located in an enterprise zone (DZE) and certified by the SLBOC or the DSLBD, as applicable; and

**11.1.6** The addition of two points on a 100-point scale for a disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) certified by the SLBOC or the DSLBD, as applicable.

**11.2 MAXIMUM PREFERENCE AWARDED**

Notwithstanding the availability of the preceding preferences, the maximum total preference to which a certified business enterprise is entitled under the Act for this procurement is twelve (12) points on a 100 point scale for submissions in response to this RFQ.

**11.3 PREFERENCES FOR CERTIFIED JOINT VENTURES**

When the SLBOC or the DSLBD, as applicable, certifies a joint venture, the certified joint venture will receive preferences as a prime Contractor for categories in which the joint venture and the certified joint venture partner are certified, subject to the maximum preference limitation set forth in the preceding paragraph.

**11.4 VENDOR SUBMISSION FOR PREFERENCES**

**11.4.1** Any vendor seeking to receive preferences on this solicitation must submit at the time of, and as part of its bid or proposal, the following documentation, as applicable to the preference being sought:

**11.4.1.1** Evidence of the vendor's or joint venture's certification by the SLBOC as an SBE, LBE, DBE, DZE, LRB, or RBO, to include a copy of all relevant letters of certification from the SLBOC; or

**11.4.1.2** Evidence of the vendor's or joint venture's provisional certification by the DSLBD as an SBE, LBE, DBE, DZE, LRB, or RBO, to include a copy of the provisional certification from the DSLBD.

**11.4.2** Any vendor seeking certification or provisional certification in order to receive preferences under this solicitation should contact the:

Department of Small and Local Business Development  
ATTN: LSDBE Certification Program  
441 Fourth Street, N.W., Suite 970N  
Washington, DC 20001

**11.4.3** All vendors are encouraged to contact the DSLBD at (202) 727-3900 if additional information is required on certification procedures and requirements.

**12. In order to avoid actual conflicts of interest as well as the appearance of such conflicts, during the period of performance of the contract, the selected Contractor shall be ineligible for the award of any contract solicited on behalf of the Office of the Chief Technology Officer, as well as any contract solicited on behalf of any other District government agency that must be programmatically approved by the Office of the Chief Technology Officer, with the exception of procurement-related services. In addition, the Contractor shall also be ineligible for the award of any contract that results from a statement of work that the Contractor has participated in formulating for the Office of the Chief Technology Officer, regardless of the period of time between the statement of work services being performed by the Contractor, and the resultant contract solicited and awarded.**

**13. ATTACHMENTS**

Statement of Work (Attachment A)  
Tax Certification Affidavit (Attachment B)  
Past Performance Evaluation Form (Attachment C)  
First Source Employment Agreement (Attachment D)  
EEO Compliance Documents (Attachment E)

**14. INSTRUCTIONS**

**14.1 Please submit one (1) original and three (3) copies of both the signed technical and price quotations in separately sealed envelopes (one technical and price) to the Office of Contracting and Procurement, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 703 (Bid Room), Washington, D.C. 20001. Quoters must also submit with its quote, a sworn Tax Certification Affidavit (Attachment B), Attachment C, Attachment D and Attachment E. All quotes must be received no later than the date and time stated in block 10 of the RFQ form, page 1 of the solicitation. Technical quotations should include candidate resumes as well as company capability statements and all other information that the District would need for its evaluation.**

**14.2** Issuance of this RFQ does not commit the District to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of the submission of this quotation.

**14.3** The Offeror selected for award MUST provide certificate of insurance as described in Section 8 of this document within (10) ten working days of award. If the Offeror cannot provide the certificate of insurance the District may remove the Offeror from the list of eligible respondents and award to the next most advantageous Offeror.

**14.4** The Standard Contract Provisions for Use with District of Columbia Government Supplies and Services Contracts, March 2007, are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this RFQ and the resultant PO. For a copy, go to OCP's website, <http://ocp.dc.gov>, and click on Solicitation Attachments.

**14.5** The Quoter shall provide no more than two (2) resumes as part of the response to this solicitation. In addition, no resume shall be longer than three (3) pages in length. Each resume shall be submitted on 8 ½" x 11" bond paper with identical font and formatting.

**14.6 Questions regarding this solicitation should be sent via email to the contact**

**information on cover sheet of this document, and must be received no later than Tuesday, January 23, 2008, by 2:00 PM EST in order to be considered.**

**14.7 Any Amendment to this solicitation will be posted on the Office of Contracting and Procurement website at [www.ocp.dc.gov](http://www.ocp.dc.gov).**