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1. RFP Section SF1449, Page 22, Paragraph No. 3rd: Fourth bullet indicates that the offeror shall include “a discussion of the major MTMC business process change requirements.” Will the Government provide a description of existing processes so that the offeror is able to determine what changes will be required to those processes?

ANSWER: The government expects that offerors will have a basic understanding of the major MTMC business processes that are impacted by the requirements for DPS.

2. RFP Section PWS, Page 15, Paragraph No. Section 2.2.3: Are delivery days from contract award, for gap analysis and design, business or calendar days?

ANSWER: Calendar Days

3. RFP Section PWS, Page 15-16, Paragraph No. Section 2.2.3: Performance objective # 5 deliverable, “draft gap analysis,” has a delivery date of 90 days after contract award. Performance objective # 6 deliverable, “draft design document,” also has a delivery date of 90 days after contract award.

Preparing a “draft design” is dependent on completing the “draft gap analysis” and receiving feedback from the Government on the gap analysis. Effectively there is a ss ss dependency between preparing the “draft design” and the two other activities. The delivery schedule does not allow time for the results of the “gap analysis” and the feed back from the Government on the gap analysis to be incorporated into the “draft design.”

ANSWER: The draft design is due at the same time as the draft gap analysis. The draft design should be developed assuming government acceptance of the draft gap analysis. A final gap analysis and final design will be required after the government provides its response to the drafts.

4. RFP Section Attachment-B, Page B-2, Paragraph No. Top of page: In the table that shows four options, there is no response option for indicating that functionality may be accomplished using custom component.

ANSWER: Option #3, in that table reads as follows: “System will accomplish required functionality with COTS modification, enhancement or extension.” This option includes the use of custom components.

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5. RFP Section Attachment-B Page, all pages, Paragraph No. General comment: General comment. How is the contractor is supposed to determine whether a proposed functionality can be best accomplished using BPR (Response # 2) without knowing existing MTMC business processes? Can the Government provide a description of existing Business Processes used with the current family of personal property systems?

ANSWER: The government expects that offerors will have a basic understanding of the major MTMC business processes that are impacted by the requirements for DPS.

6. RFP Section Attachment-B, Page B-9, Paragraph No. Req # 34: Item 34 makes reference to Attachment I. Attachment I is missing from the RFP.

ANSWER: Attachment I was posted at the same time as all other attachments. The name of the file is 04R0022-ATCHI-PT.pdf

7. RFP Section Attachment-B, Page B-9, Paragraph No. Req # 38: Does a Bill of Lading need to be generated both for shipment originated in the US as well as shipments originated outside the US?

ANSWER: A Bill of Lading is generated for domestic shipments. A Government Bill of Lading is generated for shipments that have an origin or destination outside of the continental United States.

8. RFP Section Attachment-B, Page B-9, Paragraph No. Req # 52: Item 52 makes reference to attachment I that is missing from the RFP.

ANSWER: Attachment I was posted at the same time as all other attachments. The name of the file is 04R0022-ATCHI-PT.pdf

9. RFP Section Attachment-B, Page B-13, Paragraph No. Req # 59: Does a Bill of Lading need to be generated both for shipment originated in the US as well as shipments originated outside the US?

ANSWER: A Bill of Lading is generated for domestic shipments. A Government Bill of Lading is generated for shipments that have an origin or destination outside of the continental United States.

10. RFP Section Attachment-B, Page B-14, Paragraph No. Req # 66: The requirement states that DPS needs to have capability to transfer counseling data to TOPS. Isn't TOPS one of the system that DPS is effectively replacing? Can you clarify the requirement?

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ANSWER: Until TOPS is completely phased out, DPS will need to send counseling data to TOPS.

11. RFP Section Attachment-B, Pages B-13 and B-14, Paragraph No. Req # 59: The way that requirements 59 through 66 are written seems to suggest that these are new functional changes to SWM. Is that correct?

ANSWER: The DPS Web based counseling requirements exceed the functionality that currently exists in SWM. Requirements # 62 & 63, are currently met in part by SWM. The code for SWM, as it exists at time of contract award, will be made available to the DPS systems integrator.

12. RFP Section Attachment-B, Page B-10, Paragraph No. Req # 52: Requirement 52 make reference to the need for DPS to receive and transfer EDI transactions. Is the capability for EDI transactions already existing in any of the personal property family of systems?

ANSWER: Yes

13. If the answer is yes, is that accomplished through and EDI clearing house?

ANSWER: Yes

14. If the answer is yes, how many TP currently communicate using EDI?

ANSWER: Zero

15. Is there an existing interface with an EDI clearing house that can be leveraged as part of the solution?

ANSWER: Yes

16. Is there any DoD architectural framework that defines or requires that EDI be implemented in a certain way?

ANSWER: Yes

17. RFP Section Attachment-B, Page B-15, Paragraph No. Req # 69: Requirement 69 makes reference to missing attachment I.

ANSWER: Attachment I was posted at the same time as all other attachments. The name of the file is 04R0022-ATCHI-PT.pdf

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18. RFP Section Attachment-B, Page B-20, Paragraph No. Req # 87.3:
Requirement 87.3 makes reference to missing attachment I.

ANSWER: Attachment I was posted at the same time as all other attachments. The name of the file is 04R0022-ATCHI-PT.pdf

19. RFP Section Attachment-B, page B-21, Paragraph No. Req # 92:
Requirement 92 states that DPS needs to have capability to interface with TOPS. Isn't TOPS one of the system that DPS is effectively replacing? Or is the Government suggesting that TOPS could be a viable component of a proposed solution?

ANSWER: Until TOPS is completely phased out, DPS will need to send counseling data to TOPS.

20. RFP Section Attachment-C, Page C-4, Paragraph No. Section 4.1, 2nd paragraph, last sentence: The last sentence indicates that the maintenance for the hardware purchased by the contractor and located on the contractor's premises is the responsibility of the Government. Is this correct?

ANSWER: The sentence should read as follows "For hardware purchased by the contractor and located on the contractor's premises, the maintenance is the responsibility of the contractor." Amendment forthcoming to make this change.

21. RFP Section Attachment-C, Page C-5, Paragraph No. Section 5.4:
Is this a left over requirement from the original draft when the intent was to have the contractor host the service? Or are there military sites that do not have access to the DISN, and the contractor is responsible for providing connectivity from those sites to the DISN?

ANSWER: DECC will be responsible for ensuring web connectivity through the NIPRNet. Contractor will not have communication responsibility at user site level. Amendment forthcoming to make this change.

22. RFP Section Attachment-C, Page C-15, Paragraph No. Item 16: Item 16 indicates that the system must provide Interactive Voice Response Capability. Can you elaborate what the requirement for IVR capability is? Where does this capability needs to be provided? Is it part of the help desk? Or is it to allow users voice access to status of their shipment? Does the contractor need to acquire and deploy IVR hardware/software, or hardware/software already exist and needs to be re-programmed by the contractor for DPS?

ANSWER: Interactive Voice Response (IVR) for the service member to access shipment information through the use of a phone. DPS requires a

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centrally located system accessing the DPS database for information and providing this information upon successful identification of the service member. Your proposal needs to include hardware, software, etc. to support this effort. The current IVR system being used by the distributed TOPS system is outdated and needs complete replacement.

23. RFP Sections 1.1, Page 5, Paragraph No. 2: Can MTMC provide a copy of the USTRANSCOM Pilot Evaluation Report, referenced on page 5, section 1.1, paragraph 2?

ANSWER: MTMC will make this report available as part of the technical library.

24. RFP Section 1.7.1, Page 9, Paragraph No. 2: Page 9, section 1.7.1, paragraph 2 implies that the DPS will be integrated as part of DTS. Can MTMC clarify the type of integration envisioned?

ANSWER: Other than the interfaces already identified, there are not other interfaces with systems that are part of the Defense Transportation System.

25. RFP Section 3.1.3, Page 1, Paragraph No: Given the requirement for third-part hosting (page 19, section 3.1.3), does MTMC agree that the contractor shall provide customer assistance resources at the MTMC System Response Center and at our hosting facility

ANSWER: The question is not relevant to the latest version of the RFP.

26. RFP Section, Attachment C, Page 76, Paragraph No. 12: Attachment C, page 76, item 12 shows that DPS must support EDI and XML inputs? Does this imply that DPS is not required to support fax or e-mail inputs?

ANSWER: Fax and Emails are to be supported for output only – not input into DPS.

27. RFP Section Attachment D, Page 79, Paragraph No: Attachment D, page 79 lists several systems and organizations that represent required DPS interfaces. As a follow-on to the previous question, can MTMC clarify how DPS should interface with external systems that are not EDI or XML-based?

ANSWER: Interfaces are to be agreed upon by both parties. If the interface party cannot support EDI or XML, then an agreed upon User Defined Format (UDF) will be developed to support that interface until such time EDI or XML can be used.

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28. RFP Section 3.2.13, Page 33, Paragraph No. 18.3-18.4: Page 33, section 3.2.13 indicates scheduled and unscheduled service outage of 4 hours each (items 18.3 and 18.4), but the Performance Standard (item 1) indicates that the maintenance outage is not cumulative. Is the total outage (scheduled and unscheduled) not to exceed 4 hours or 8 hours?

ANSWER: Scheduled Outage = 4 hours, and unscheduled Outage = 4 hours

29. RFP Section, General Question: Does TOPS replacement encompass replacement of TOPS History?

ANSWER: The requirement is to identify the approach for Migration of user data, including methods of extracting, deriving, transforming, and loading historical and operational data from legacy systems to DPS. The actual migration of data from TOPS History to DPS will be performed.

The PWS will be updated to state that performing the migration of data from TOPS History to DPS will be part of the Additional Future Functionality described in section 1.4.6 of the PWS.

30. RFP Section N/A, Page N/A, Paragraph No. N/A: What is the effective date that costing will begin utilizing the commercial tariff 400NG?

ANSWER: Transportation Providers will file rates using the 400NG on 1 August 2005. Shipments that use the 400NG will be counseled starting 1 September 2005. The first shipments that use the 400NG will move beginning 1 October 2005. As described in functional requirement #10 in attachment B, DPS must be ready to establish a Rate Reasonableness Range prior to the filing of rates. The timeframe for determining the rate reasonableness range is July 2005

31. RFP Section N/A, Page, N/A, Paragraph N/A: Attachment B DPS Functional Requirements refers to reporting methodology by "code service". What types of service does "code service stand for?

ANSWER: The reference to "code service" in requirements 4.1 and 4.2 of Attachment B, should read "code_of_service". Definitions of the codes of service are available in the Defense Transportation Regulation Part IV, in the section titled "DEFINITIONS"

32. RFP Section N/A, Page N/A, Paragraph No. N/A: re "binding estimates" to be utilized within the DPS booking engine?

ANSWER: No.

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33. RFP Section Solicitation Instructions Page 25 of 47 Paragraph No. D: Background, it is stated that the demonstration will be conducted using a government- provided PC and must be accessible through the web. Can the government please elaborate on the facilities and equipment that will be provided in terms of:

Will the Internet connection provided have a firewall or other security mechanism? If so, what protocols and ports are acceptable to be passed through the security mechanism? What method, if any, for generating printed or other output will be available? What are the specifications of the OS, hardware, and other software on the demonstration PC? What type of connection and expected bandwidth will be provided for Internet connectivity?

ANSWER: The demonstration will be held at the Hoffman II building. Confirmation of room, date, and time will be provided at a later time. Only government PCs will be used during that demonstration. Provide your requirements for your demonstration to the government NLT 48 hours in advance of your demonstration. At a minimum your requirements shall include:

Parallel Printer requirements, if required, any IP Addresses and/or Web Site Addresses that you will be connecting to during the demonstration, any software installation requirements (provide software and installation instructions), Web Browser requirement(s) (name and version), Power Point Requirements (minimum MS Windows 2000), and any other requirements. DoD acceptable protocols – HTTP, HTTPS (Port 80 and 443). If you require time prior to your demonstration to confirm the laptop setup, a timeframe can be scheduled for you. Notice: All equipment is scanned by the MTMC Security Office prior to connecting to the LAN.

34. RFP Section Attachment C, Page C-4, Paragraph No. Section 4.1, 2nd paragraph: **Background:** The last sentence states: “For hardware purchased by the contractor and located on the contractor’s premises, the maintenance is the responsibility of the government.” (emphasis added). Should this read that maintenance for hardware located on the contractor’s premises is the responsibility of the “contractor”?

ANSWER: The sentence should read as follows “For hardware purchased by the contractor and located on the contractor’s premises, the maintenance is the responsibility of the contractor.”

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35. RFP Section, Performance Work Statement Page 8 of 36 Paragraph No. 1.4.7: Background: This section states: "Development and developer's test platforms will be located at a location to be identified by the contractor and approved by the government. "We assume that this intended location is to be a "contractor" site. Is this assumption correct?

ANSWER: Yes.

36. RFP Section Performance Work Statement Page 13 of 36 Paragraph No. 2.1.4: Background: The provision states that the contractor shall participate in the requirements definition for future functionality. As the effort to define these requirements and the requirements themselves are yet to be determined, it is understood that these efforts will be handled under a separate tasking or work authorization and are not to be included in the firm-fixed-price CLIN pricing. Is that understanding correct?

ANSWER: Yes.

37. RFP SECTION PWS Page 1, Paragraph No. 4: Will all MTMC Personal Property legacy systems be replaced: What systems will not be replaced if any?

ANSWER: All MTMC Personal Property legacy systems eventually will be replaced or integrated into DPS. Not all systems will be replaced or integrated in the first iteration of DPS.

38. RFP SECTION PWS Attachment, Page 8.3, Paragraph No. C-10: Does the COTS product versus total DPS system have to be Level-7 DII COE compliant for initial implementation: If not what is target for DPS to be compliant?

ANSWER: DISA Certification Levels are for the whole system. There is no certification for COTS products. IAW DOD, TRANSCOM, and Army all new systems shall be Level 7 upon implementation. Implementation is defined as either given to the user in any form or partial functional fielding or as a demonstration system. When DPS is fielded in any form to the user, it must be DII COE compliant Level 7.

39. RFP Section PWS Attachment C, Page C-5, Paragraph No. 6.0: Does the COTS have to have standard data elements?

ANSWER: Not the COTS product itself but the system is required to implement data standards in its interface(s)with other DTS and USTRANSCOM systems.

40. RFP Section PWS Attachment C, Page C-3, Paragraph No. 3.0: Who, Government of the Contractor pays for hardware and system software to support

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DPS (Development, Contractor Testing, Government Testing, Production, and COOP)?

ANSWER: The contractor should include cost of hardware, system software and configuration set up in the proposal.

41. RFP Section, Page, Paragraph No, General Question: Are there any on-site requirements for Contractor personnel: At MTMC? At DECC? Can we plan on all contractor personnel being off-site at a contractor facility?

Answer: There are no mandated requirements for on-site personnel at either MTMC or DECC.

42. RFP Section, Page, Paragraph No, General Question: Does the Government have a percentage of what COTS should support for DPS (stated or not stated)?

ANSWER: No

43. RFP Section RFP, Travel Item in Section SF 1449 – Continuation Sheet, Page, Paragraph 13-14: Will Government pay travel to select DECC for contractor personnel for configuration set-up and support? What DECC should be used for costing purposes?

ANSWER: The Government will pay for travel to DECCS for configuration set-up and support. The Government has identified Columbus, OH and St. Louis, MO as proposed DECC sites. The Government will provide DECC locations after award.

44. RFP Section PWS Attachment C, Page C-5, Paragraph No. 5.4: Will Government provide all communication networks and communications infrastructure to include connectivity for remote maintenance and support?

ANSWER: Communication for Production and COOP systems will be with the DECC through the NipRnet. If contractor requires communication support, you must include it in your proposal.

45. RFP Section PWS Attachment B, Page B-9, Paragraph No. 33: Should Appendix C be Appendix J?

ANSWER: In Attachment B, Requirement #33 should read as follows “The DPS rating engine shall use the rates applicable to channels that are provided by TP to determine the cost for international shipments. (Refer to Attachment J: Best Value Distribution Methodology)

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46. RFP Section PWS, Page 8, Paragraph No. 1.4.6: Are there any additional functional areas that will be identified for future action? What legacy systems are associated with functional areas for future consideration?

ANSWER: There may be additional functional areas identified for future action. Potentially impacted systems are those in the MTMC Family of Personal Property systems which have functional areas that are not included in the first iteration of DPS.

47. RFP Section, Page 7-14, Paragraph No. Task 3: RFP only states Option Year 2. For Task 3 can it be assumed that level of effort for system sustainment (functional requirements) will be the same?

ANSWER: QUESTION REFERENCE POINT NOT FOUND.

48. RFP Section PWS, Attachment C, Page C-4, Paragraph No. 5.3: Will ETA provide connectivity to Operational platforms at DECC location, COOP platforms (located TBD) and test platforms?

ANSWER: Yes.

RFP Section, Page, Paragraph No., General Question: Do MTMC transition plans have any impact on the DPS requirement? Will responsibility for Personal Property functions remain with MTMC? If not, will this impact the requirement?

ANSWER: No, MTMC transition plans will not have any impact on the DPS requirement.

49. RFP Section PWS, Attachment C, Page C-4, Paragraph 5.3: Will customers (service members) access DPS via ETA? If so what methodology and process will be used (user Ids and passwords)?

ANSWER: Yes.

50. RFP Section PWS, Attachment G, Page G3-G5, Paragraph No.: For clarification purposes, are the following systems part of the DPS requirement for the initial DPS system or future enhancement:

- One Time Only (OTO) Web Application Carrier Module
- One Time Only (OTO) Installation Transportation Office (ITO) Module
- Special Solicitation
- Intrastate Rate Information
- TOPS Web Counseling

ANSWER: Of the five items listed in the question, the following four are part of the DPS requirement for the initial DPS system

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- One Time Only (OTO) Web Application Carrier Module
- One time Only (OTO) Installation Transportation Office (ITO) Module
- Special Solicitation
- TOPS Web Counseling

When DPS is fielded, Intrastate Rates will not be filed separately from Interstate Rates.

51. Section PWS, Page 4, Paragraph No. 1: When will CWA be implemented?

ANSWER: CWA will be implemented prior to DPS.

52 RFP Section PWS, Attachment B, Page B-2, Paragraph No. Item 1: Should Attachment H be referenced vs. Attachment J? Are there any TP Qualifications in Attachment J?

ANSWER: In Attachment B, Requirement #1 should read as follows “DPS shall provide web-based functionality for TPs to register and qualify to do business with MTMC. (See Attachment H: Transportation Provider Qualification Program Functional Requirements).” There are no TP Qualification requirements in Attachment J.

53. RFP Section, Page Paragraph No.: General Question: What is the Government definition of COTS? Our concern is that once you modify an existing COTS to add functionality unique to MTMC or modify to meet technical requirements as stated in Attachment C (particularly DoD, TRANSCOM and MTMC standards) the COTS package will no longer be a COTS package and will be subject to continued system maintenance to GOTS software.

ANSWER: To be answered by AQ

54. RFP Section PWS, Attachment B, Page B-1, 17 Paragraph No. 2.2.4: Is it possible to extend the timeframe for delivery of Increment 1 and shorten the timeframe for delivery of Increment 2? The rationale for this question is that most of the functionality for DPS is in Increment 1 and will take significantly longer to develop than Increment 2. Some of the functionality in Increment 1 requires an integrated DPS database, data analysis for Best Value and TP ranking and data analysis for performance data.

ANSWER: It is not possible to extend the timeframe for delivery of Increment 1. Increment 1 includes functionality that is needed for determining the rate reasonableness range in July 2005, and for rate filing beginning 1 August 2005.

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55. RFP Section, Page, Paragraph No.: General Question: If the Government approves business process changes associated with DPS will they take the lead to manage and implement the changes within and outside the MTMC organization? The rationale for this question is that the contractor will not have the authority to compel MTMC activities to change their business processes. Also, the contractor does not have the authority to change current DoD technical and functional regulations and processes that may be necessitated by DPS. This is important to the use of a COTS package without major modification. The more the COTS package must be changed the less it will be a COTS and the higher the cost to develop and sustain DPS will be. Reference Para 1 General of PWS.

ANSWER: The Government will take the lead in “championing” the implementation of approved business process changes. This does not change the performance objectives included in the PWS regarding Change Management. As mentioned under Performance Objective 14, the change management plan must address “...awareness of roles and responsibilities under a Government-contractor relationship...” The contractor still will have primary responsibility for implementation of the Change Management plan.

56. RFP Section Solicitation Instructions, Page 20 of 47, Paragraph No. 4: Background: The paragraph states that Volume II shall be limited to no more than 150 pages and the the proposal shall be prepared on standard 8.5 x 11 inch paper in portrait orientation. We request that offerors be able to include 11 x 17 foldouts in the written proposal and the these foldouts count as 2 pages.

ANSWER: Offerors may use 11 x 17 foldouts that will be counted as two 8.5 x 11 inch pages.

57. RFP Section Solicitation Instructions, Page 21 of 47, Paragraph (b)1: Background: The instructions state that the offeror’s proposed QCP shall address the offeror’s approach to quality control, to include detailed plans and methodologies. This information is to be included in Volume II, Technical & management Approach, and Relevant Experience. This volume is limited to 150 pages per instructions in the RFP. The DPS Functional Requirements Matrix presented as Attachment B to the RFP is also to be included in Volume II. This matrix, prior to being completed, is 26 pages and will certainly be significantly longer once any applicable comments are provided. Additionally, there are several other topics to be addressed as part of Volume II, to include DPS Design, DPS Implementation Methodology, Training and Knowledge transfer, Gap Analysis Methodology, Utilizing RICE, and Relevant Experience. Recognizing the magnitude of the technical and functional requirements to be detailed, and recognizing that the comprehensive Quality Control Plan (QCP) itself is a substantial document with a correspondingly high page count, is it acceptable for the offeror to provide the outline of the Quality Control Plan as part of Volume II

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and within the Volume II page count limitation, and provide the detailed QCP itself as a separate addendum to Volume II outside the Volume II page limitations?

ANSWER: The 150 page limit must be adhered to.

58. RFP Section Solicitation Instructions, Page 26 of 47 FAR clause 52.212-2 Evaluation –Commercial Items: Background: Paragraph (b), RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF FACTORS states: “Factors of Technical Approach, management Approach, Relevant Experience, Past Performance, Small Business Subcontracting Plan, and price are in descending order of importance.” The sixth “bullet” under the subject paragraph states: “Price is approximately equal to the combined Non-Price Factors of Technical Approach, Management Approach, Relevant Experience, Past Performance, and Subcontracting Plan.” There is an apparent inconsistency or conflict between the overview of the relative importance of the factors and the discussion of the price as a factor in bullet six. Should the first sentence of the sixth bullet be deleted whereby price will be evaluated based upon Price Reasonableness and Price Realism?

ANSWER: Corrected by amendment 0001.

59. RFP Section Solicitation Instructions, Page 22 of 47, Paragraph No. (3)(a): Background: Both sections refer to contracts in the past three years. Is it correct to assume that the meaning of “completed” is the same in both sections and refers to completion of the development and implementation phases of projects? In other words, can offerors include contracts in both sections where system implementation is completed, or substantially, so, and support continues under operations and maintenance?

ANSWER: Completed contract, is defined as all work completed under the contract.

60. RFP Section solicitation Instructions, Page 24, Paragraph B.2: Background: Paragraph 2 states: “An Offeror may send no more than five persons to the presentation.” There is no mention of a limit on personnel for the demonstration. Additionally, there are different skills required to execute the demonstration than are required to deliver and participate in the oral presentation. Accordingly, it is our understanding that the 5 person limit at the presentation does not apply to the number of attendees at the demonstration. Is our interpretation correct?

ANSWER: There is no limit on the number of attendees at the demonstration.

61. General question: Is there room for the Government to consider something other than a FFP type contract?

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ANSWER: No.

62. General question: Why is the Government asking for comments on the draft by 1 December 2003, when the intend the final proposal on 14 November 2003?

ANSWER: The Government did not expect the draft PWS to change substantially, therefore, the draft was posted to allow the offeror's as much time as possible to review the PWS and provide comments.

63. General question: Why does the Government say this is an unrestricted procurement action, followed immediately with a statement that it's restricted to the \$21M NAICS code?

ANSWER: The requirement is unrestricted. The Government is required to post the NAICS Code and Size Standard for all requirements.

64. RFP Section Attachment C, Page C-7, Paragraph No. 7.1: This paragraph requires contractor subcontractor(s), and partners to be citizens of the United States. There is an impressive COTS provider that is a Canadian Corporation. Considering the COTS provider will not be involved in the actual running of the DPS, only the development, would the Government consider waiving the requirement for the COTS provider to be a citizen of the United States, so long as all other security requirements are observed?

ANSWER: Response to be provided at a later date.