

Control #: HDEC04-12-72

LEAE

July 23, 2012

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Informal Justification & Approval for Other Than Full & Open Competition
Product Look-Up (PLU) Code Upgrade of Hobart Deli/Bakery
Scales, HDEC04-12-T-0042

The DeCA/LEAE office had a requirement to upgrade existing Hobart brand deli/bakery equipment to be able to communicate via a wireless connection for equipment located at various Defense Commissary Agency stores. The estimate for this requirement is \$12,500.

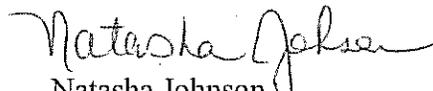
Solicitation HDEC04-12-T-0042 was issued to Gill Group, Inc to provide this requirement as a one-time buy, firm-fixed price type contract. Funding will be provided at the time of award. It will be issued citing Statutory Authority, 10 U.S.C. 2304(c)(1), Only One Responsible Source and No Other Supplies Will Satisfy Agency Requirement, as implemented by FAR 6.302-1.

Only one source cited for this requirement is due to proprietary maintenance/repair/upgrade of Hobart brand equipment. Gill Group, Inc. is an authorized distributor of Hobart brand equipment which Hobart Corporation holds all rights for. Hobart utilizes authorized service technicians located at their service centers throughout the continental United States to perform upgrades, maintenance and repair of Hobart equipment. These service technicians are trained/certified Hobart professionals and possess the rights and specialized knowledge to upgrade systems. Hobart maintains cognizance over all maintenance and repair of wrapping systems and all other associated equipment and then coordinates the upgrade/ maintenance/repair with the nearest authorized branch or agent.

Based on the foregoing information provided, the issuance of solicitation HDEC04-12-T-0042 for the procurement of upgrade services on an other than full and open competition basis pursuant to the authority 10 U.S. C. 2304(c)(1), provided that funds will be made available, or will be made available and provided that the services and property herein described have otherwise been authorized for acquisition.



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