Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) for BAA 07-003 "M2C2 Enhanced Prototype (MEP)"

1. Do you mean "Hawaiian workforce" – an ethnic group or "Hawaiian workforce" – a geographical location?

A: Geographical location.

2. The evaluation criteria Item D indicates award may be to a large business. Is this a small business set aside or is this full and open competition with Hawaiian content as a lower level evaluation criteria? Is there a requirement for this to be a contract to a native Hawaiian company?

A: It is a full and open competition. Under Evaluation Criteria C – Management, subcriterion 3. is: "The offeror's ability to utilize the local Hawaiian workforce and firms with appropriate technical and management expertise and knowledge of Hawaiian culture and society in order to achieve the research goals of this BAA." There is no requirement for it to be a contract to a native Hawaiian company.

3. Section 6.2.1 says GFE may be available from the COC program. In other areas, the BAA says no GFE will be provided. Please identify what GFE will be provided.

A: GFE will not be available from the COC program. The only GFE to be provided is a High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle (HMMWV) with a least a 200 amp alternator for testing of the prototype. Amendment 0001 is being issued to clarify this.

4. Can M2C2 Phase I prototype equipment be used to satisfy delivery requirement of M2C2 Phase II prototype?

A: No.

5. What is the intended end use of the Phase I systems?

A: TBD by the U.S. Government.

6. If we propose against 6.2.2, can we still be considered for being a subcontractor under 6.2.1?

A: Yes.

7. Is the SOW inclusive of the 50 page limit?

A: Yes.

8. Will award of 6.2.2 be based on proposals that address all of the 6.2.2 areas of interest listed? Will this increase the chances of a win?

A: No. No.

9. Is the Contractor required to provide satellite access?

A: Yes. Ku SATCOM (See Section I.6.2.1. of the solicitation).

10. Is Ka-Satcom capability a requirement for award win?

A: No.

- 11. Will any Phase I communication equipment be available in Phase II? A: No.
- 12. Government supplied material. HUMVEE, Tie straps, which power supply is the government furnishing?
 - A: The Government will supply a HMMWV with at least a 200 amp alternator.
- 13. Since a single company can only be awarded in one area, can you please clarify ...does this mean as a Prime or either as a Prime or Subcontractor? For example, if we want to pursue an enabling technology award, does this mean we cannot be a subcontractor to a system integration awardee?
 - A: You can bid as a prime on 6.2.2 and as a subcontractor on 6.2.1.
- 14. Power Supply What are the input sources? What are the output requirements? (total) What is the size constraint?
- A: "Electrical Power Generation and Management" is under paragraph I.6.2.2, Enabling Technology Development. This research area intends to develop technologies that can improve the performance or add capabilities to the M2C2. Therefore, there are no predetermined output or size requirements or constraints. It may be useful to note that the existing prototypes ran tactical radios, secure wireless LAN, servers, computers, displays, and the SATCOM system off of the vehicle's 200 amp alternator.
- 15. What contract vehicle will be utilized for the procurement?
 - A: A Cost Plus Fixed Fee Contract.
- 16. After prototype, what is the estimated number of production units?
 - A: Not known at this time.
- 17. Recent Congressional legislation and DoD mandates require that future vehicles be equipped with IED jammers in Theater. Is there a requirement for M2C2 compatibility with current or future IED jammers? If so, what is the plan to develop/acquire that capability?
 - A: Not to be addressed in the scope of this contract;
- 18. We would like to know whether a US corporation owned partially by foreign investors qualifies to submit a proposal.
 - A: No.
- 19. We have no clearance yet. Does it have any impact?
 - A: A Secret Facility Clearance is required for award of a contract under this solicitation.
- 20. We couldn't understand whether we needed to submit the proposal via regular mail or if it is possible via electronic way. Are we required to register in Grants.gov?
- A: Proposals may be mailed or hand carried to the address identified in Section IV.5. of the solicitation. This section also states, "NOTE: PROPOSALS SENT BY FAX OR E-MAIL WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED." Grants will not be awarded under this solicitation, therefore, you do not have to register at Grants.gov.